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'Growth' was–once again–the top story of the past year

While a newspaper's job is to simply report the news as best as it is able, newspaper people—as well as newspaper readers—will differ on what they consider to be news.

That said, here are the top 10 news stories of 1987, selected by the editor of The Citizen, from among the stories that appeared in this paper over the course of the year.

The top story of the year was—once again—the story of the rapid growth of the Bethel area. Every month—in fact, nearly every week—brought a new story about a condominium development here or a townhouse development there. Some of the marks of rapid growth were: a 53-lot subdivision on South Pond, in Greenwood; a plan for 36 condominiums off Rte. 26, in Woodstock; a plan for 44 condominiums on the Bear River, in Newry; 40 condominiums adjacent to The Bethel Inn Country Club; a plan for 60 condominiums off Rte. 2, in Bethel; a plan for 100 condominiums at the Blake Farm, in Bethel; a master plan for Sunday River Ski Resort that calls for a maximum of 1,720 condominiums within five years, plus a sewer plant (presently under construction), new restaurants, new ski trails, new lifts.

The rate of development in the area could also be glimpsed through a look at the number of real estate transfers for the previous year, which The Citizen reported on in its Feb. 4 edition. The numbers showed that real estate transfers had doubled between 1984 and 1986.

The Bethel area was no longer a secret. The town was being written about in regional and national publications, and most of the credit—some might say blame—had to do with the phenomenal success enjoyed by the two local ski areas—Sunday River Ski Resort, in Newry, and Mt. Abram Ski Slopes, in Locke Mills. Both reported record-breaking seasons in terms of numbers of skiers. Both also redoubled their efforts to increase snowmaking so that good skiing was not dependent upon favorable weather; both continued to expand skiable terrain and the ability to get skiers to the top of the slopes, and both continued to build condominium units as if there were no end of demand in sight. And real estate agents reported that, in fact, demand was holding up very well.

Growth was not without its drawbacks. There were increasing complaints of local stores being cleared bare by hordes of winter visitors, and increasing complaints of the thoughtlessness—mindlessness might be a better term—of Massachusetts drivers. Big time crime even took a bite out of Bethel, as some sharpie spent a day at Sunday River passing bogus $100 bills.

The number two story of the year had to do with the efforts of local governments to catch up with the rapid pace of local real estate developments in order to have some control over them. The Town of Greenwood placed a one-year moratorium on the construction of multi-family developments. (The dozens being constructed at Mt. Abram had been approved by the Greenwood Planning Board before the moratorium was approved by Town Meeting.)

A number of local towns hurried to write and enact local legislation to help cope with development. Bethel, which had accepted a revised Comprehensive Plan the year before, this past year approved a new Site Plan Review Ordinance. The Town of Newry approved a new Comprehensive Plan, and boards in Greenwood, Woodstock and West Paris are all working on comprehensive plans.

A comprehensive plan contains no legislation. It is an inventory of the physical, economic and cultural characteristics of a town, as well as a road map for how to keep the town moving in a direction the voters consider the proper direction. It is then up to the voters to put into place ordinances to make the road map work.

Bethel's Site Plan Review Ordinance—which is similar to one Newry enacted years ago—controls development by mandating such things as the maximum height of a new building, the minimum parking spaces for a new commercial establishment, the minimum amount of greenspace needed on the lot, the maximum number of units per acre in a multi-family development.

With such ordinances, local residents hope to be able to preserve the small-town character of their towns.

The Bethel Water District had its own way of coping with growth: it simply declined—last spring—to hook up any new multi-family developments for fear it might take on more customers than its water supplies could service. After a summer-long study showed that there was enough water for the time being—but that something needed to be done soon to develop wells on the village side of the Androscoggin River—the water district once again began providing hook-

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"UNDER THE SPREADING CHRISTMAS TREE" the 2-graders stood. The singers, a merry bunch were they, with high uplifted arms. The carols from their joyful hearts charmed brothers and sisters, dads and moms. More than 350 parents, family and friends turned out for the Woodstock School's Christmas Concert. Here 2nd-graders, front row from left, Matthew Koskela, Bethany Lowe, Kim Baker, George Marchant, Nancy Edwards and Vicki Chase join hands and voices. (Photo by Michael Daniels)

The Year in Review

Teachers offered contract boosting salaries & benefits

The SAD #44 Board of Directors has approved a salary schedule for teachers, secretaries and instructional aides covering the 1988-89 and 1989-90 school years.

For a teacher with a bachelor's degree and 10 years of experience, the new schedule will mean an increase in total salary and insurance benefits from $22,750 in the current contract year to $24,892 in the final year of the contract—an increase of $2,162, or 9.5 percent over two years.

The new pay schedules have yet to be ratified by the Telstar Educators Association, but both Superintendent Dewaine Craig and T.E.A. President John Woodbury said they expect association members to support the schedule.

District Administrative Assistant Bruce Powell said the impact of the salary increases on the district budget has not yet been worked out, but he will have the numbers for the Budget Committee next month.

Under the new schedule, a teacher with a bachelor's degree and no experience will start at a salary of $16,100, up $600 (3.875 percent) from what a comparable teacher is paid this year.

A teacher with a bachelor's plus 10 years experience would be paid $22,332, up $1,092 (4.7 percent) from this year; a teacher with a bachelor's plus 19 or more years experience would receive $25,450, up $1,200 (4.95 percent).

For the 1989-90 school year, teachers with similar qualifications would receive $16,600; $23,332 and $26,700 respectively.

Teachers with a bachelor's plus 15 college units earned after the degree was awarded will receive an additional $550 in the first year of the contract, $560 in the second. They currently receive an additional $500

Teachers with a master's degree will receive an additional $1,150 in the first year of the contract, $1,175 in the second. They currently receive an additional $1,100.

Teachers with a master's degree plus 30 additional units culminating in an advanced degree will receive an additional $2,350 in the first year of the contract, $2,375 in the second. They currently receive an additional $2,300.

In addition, the district will contribute $1,485 toward insurance for each teacher during the first year of the contract and $1,560 during the second. The current insurance contribution is $1,400

Opinions

Winning is more than won-lost

In sports, winning teams are generally considered those with more wins in the "win" column than there are losses in the "loss" column. But that is a very elementary view of what's involved in sports—or in life, for that matter.

Sports teams, and individuals, win when they do the best they are able to—whether or not it results in "a win." And they win when they learn from their mistakes. They also win when they are able to improve their game—or their lives. And they win when they learn to work more effectively as a team, and as fellow human beings.

Telstar's basketball teams are having poor seasons if one looks at the won-lost columns. But if one looks at the constant improvement of these very young teams, and if one looks at the steady support provided by coaches, classmates and parents, it is easy to see that the Rebel teams are winning each time they take the court.

"Wins" will come with time. In the meantime, the small victories that go along with steady improvement should be satisfying to all concerned.

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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Before members of Congress went home to their districts this week, we voted on legislation to fund the government through next Sept. 30.

The good news is that the legislation makes a start toward reducing the deficit—by $33.3 billion.

The bad news is that it was passed almost *three months late,* since this fiscal year began on Oct. 1.

We have been operating without a budget, without a plan, for all of this time.

Then we finally had to vote—yes or no—on two huge bills that contained virtually all of the government's discretionary spending, from funding a war in Central America to cleaning Mount Rushmore.

I may disagree with President Reagan on many issues, but I agreed with him when he said that "wrapping up the entire legislative business of our country into two, thousand-page bills on the eve of Christmas is not the way to do business."

As a newcomer to Washington this year, I found the federal budget process appalling, especially after years in state government, where we balanced our budget year after year, without excuses.

The stock market decline this fall sent a message to Washington. That message was: pay your bills.

States have to do it, families have to do it—it's past time Congress and the President learned how to do it.

I believe we have the responsibility to make hard decisions and vote on a balanced budget *before* the fiscal year begins.

Instead, Washington has made a practice of postponing decisions, and then rushing to pass temporary "continuing resolutions" to tide the government over for a few weeks and keep its checks from bouncing.

These continuing resolutions are huge, unwieldly bills that lump together unrelated measures.

Often no amendments are allowed. Individual members may feel pressured into voting for these resolutions, even if they contain unnecessary or wasteful programs, because otherwise the government would not have the money it needs to continue basic, essential services, or pay Social Security or Medicare checks.

This is no way to run a government.

What is the answer?

The answer is not for government to simply stop meeting new needs and challenges. For example, I believe government needs to address the pressing demand for child care. That means, if we are going to spend money on child care, hard decisions need to be made on where to cut the budget elsewhere.

The answer is not the Gramm-Rudman legislation, a meat-axe approach which would automatically cut virtually all programs across the board, devastating some critically important services. Those of us in office were elected to take some responsibility and make some choices, even if it costs us some votes, and not to allow this government by automatic pilot.

Serious measures are called for, because the mounting deficit poses a severe threat to our economic health as a nation.

I support a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the government from spending more money than it takes in, except in times of war or national emergency.

While this would not singlehandedly solve our budget problems, such an amendment would make it more difficult for Congress and the President to ignore their responsibilities.

This should be a bipartisan effort; in fact, at a governors' conference a few years ago, which I and nearly all the Democratic governors attended, there was virtually unanimous support for a balanced budget amendment.

I also am co-sponsoring legislation for a Constitutional amendment granting the President line-item veto authority. The President would be able to disapprove individual items in an appropriations bill without having to veto the bill itself. Congress would be able to override such decisions.

The line-item veto would be an extremely valuable budget-cutting tool. The highly respected former chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, Paul Volcker, also supports it.

Some people, including many in my own party, do not want this measure to pass because they fear it would be used on a partisan basis.

However, I feel that our economic situation is so serious that we need to look beyond politics and toward fiscal responsibility.

Others say the line-item veto would give the President too much power.

We entrust the President with the power to start nuclear war; can't we trust him or her with the power to delete a pork barrel project from the budget?

These measures may help us address the budget and lead us toward fiscal responsibility.

The best thing those of us in Washington could do for taxpayers, businesses, and workers—in Maine and around the country—is simply to pay our bills and balance the budget.

I hope we measure up to the challenge and do it.

Joseph E. Brennan
House of Representatives
1st District, Maine

To the Editor:

I would like to comment on the letter written by Jerry Bley of the Natural Resources Council which appeared in the Dec. 2 issue of The Bethel Citizen.

Mr. Bley contends that the Congressional Delegation has only two options regarding the Caribou-Speckled Mountain area: either to submit the 12,000 acres for wilderness or let the total 16,000 acres sit in limbo for the current planning period.

There is a third option: The Congressional Delegation could submit legislation to release the entire 16,000 acres for multiple use management.

Mr. Bley states that if the 12,000 acres is not put in the wilderness designation, there will be clearcuts in this area. This is not true. Because it is important to have good views from the mountain tops, this area would be selectively harvested to maintain a forest cover. If the area is designated as wilderness, there would be openings in the forest cover caused by blowdowns, fire and disease.

Mr. Bley maintains that it is in the best interest of the timber industry to agree to the 12,000 acres wilderness designation so the issue can be resolved once and for all. This was said when in 1965 the multiple use area was reduced from 751,000 acres to 745,000 acres; in 1975 when the mulitple use area was reduced to 725,000 acres, in 1984 to 649,000 acres, again in 1984 (with the forest plan) to 390,000 acres, and in 1987 (to get national forest preservation groups to drop their appeal and possible lawsuit) to 327,000 acres. This is not the end. We already know that there are certain areas that have been targeted for wilderness designation for the next planning period. Certainly it will be said that it is in everybody's best interest to "compromise" and "to move ahead and to resolve the issue once and for all."

There is hope for the future. The USFS is coming out with a brochure on harvesting. There is also a chance that they might return to a policy of posting signs at harvested areas to explain why the land was harvested in a particular manner. It is in the best interest of all who enjoy the forest to provide information about forest management practices.

Y. Leon Favreau, President
Multiple Use Association
Gorham, New Hampshire

TELSTAR'S MATT YORK makes his way upcourt despite pressure from a full-court press during last Tuesday's game against Carrabec, which the Rebels lost.

HEAD AND SHOULDERS ABOVE THE COMPETITION, Telstar's Ricky Roy gets the best of this jump ball. But the visiting Carrabec team got the best of the Rebels, leaving the home team still looking for its first win of the season.

Free skiing Jan. 8

On Jan. 8, anyone who has never tried skiing will get the chance of a lifetime as several ski shops and ski areas in the state, including Sunday River Ski Resort, Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center, and Mt. Abram Ski Slopes, team up for the second annual "Let's Go Skiing America!" promotion.

The program, which drew more than 53,000 new skiers nationwide last year, offers a free day of skiing Friday, Jan. 8, at participating alpine and cross-country ski areas. First-time skiers will receive a free ski lesson, rental equipment and access to beginner ski slopes or trails. New skiers should call the area of their choice ahead of time and reserve a spot in the free beginners' classes, since lesson groups are expected to fill quickly and some restrictions may apply.

Following the free day, and continuing through Feb. 7, the same instructional package is available to first-time skiers at a cost of no more than $15 midweek and $25 on weekends for alpine skiing and no more than $10 midweek and $20 on weekends for cross-country skiing.

For more information on the free and reduced-price packages for first-time skiers, call the ski area of your choice, or 1-800-88-TO-SKI.

County ready to re-open the East B Hill Road

The East B Hill Road between Upton and Andover is expected to be reopened this week, according to Carole Mahoney, of the office of the Oxford County Commissioners.

The county has contracted with David Smith, of South Andover, to plow the road for the remainder of the winter, she said. He is expected to begin work as soon as he receives a load of salt from the county.

Smith was one of several people recommended to the county by the Town of Andover, Mrs Mahoney said. He will charge the county $32 per hour for his heavy plow, $40 for a grader, and $40 for a sander.

"I hope that he's able to keep it open," she said, adding that the arrangement is for this winter only, and the county commissioners are undecided as to how the road will be kept open in coming years.

Damage to Upton's heavy plow—which rolled off the East B Hill Road three weeks ago—is still being assessed, Upton's First Selectman Richard LeCompte said, but it now appears to be more severe than originally suspected.

Prior to the accident, Upton had maintained the road under a contract from the county.

Selectman LeCompte said that after the accident the town also stopped plowing a one-quarter-mile stretch of town-maintained road leading to the five-mile, county-maintained section.

"We didn't want to waste salt on a road no one was using," he said, "but if the road is going to be re-opened, we'll send a grader out to clear our stretch."

A note from the publisher

One of our readers—Norma Jodrey—asked me a couple of weeks ago, "When are you going to stop putting stories about condominiums on the front page of your paper?"

I told her I'd be happy to leave the condo stories out of the paper if the developers would stop planning to build more of them. And that doesn't seem to be likely for the foreseeable future. So we're stuck with the condos—and the condo stories.

That's the thing about publishing a newspaper: you don't always have a choice about what you publish. Newspapers don't invent the news; they just report it. And if condos are what's news, the local newspaper will be carrying condo stories.

Of course an editor does have the responsibility to pick and choose among the news stories of the week, to determine which stories will have the most meaning in the lives of the paper's readers. At The Citizen, this has usually meant leaving out sensational stories of car crashes, divorce court news, etc. While these stories make for good gossip, they are otherwise not important—in an historical sense—to the communities we serve.

The Citizen's sense of what is and what is not news can be gleaned from a look at this week's picks of the Top 10 news stories of 1987. I invite you to write in with any of your own choices that you think should be included in that list.

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Another reader, Rodney Hanscom, wants to know why we cannot continue publishing "What's on The Tube?" While he understands that we stopped publication (after three months) because we were losing money on it, he suggests we could make up for the shortfall in advertising revenue by charging for the publication. (We had been giving it away, free of charge.) Mr. Hanscom says he would be willing to pay 50 cents a week for the tabloid and asked me to ask other readers if they would be willing to purchase it.

I told him I didn't think people would buy it, but I would ask. So I'm asking: Would you be willing to spend 50 cents a week to buy "What's on The Tube?"

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There's an excellent summary of Bethel's growing pains in the last Maine Sunday Telegram. Written by staffer Tux Turkel, the article touches most of the bases among those who argue for continued multi-sectoral growth, those who argue for industrial growth, and those who argue for limited or no growth.

If I had one quarrel with the article it was with the headline, which focused on the alternatives of more jobs or less growth. The local job market is such that with or without additional economic growth there are already more job opportunities than there are people to fill the jobs. It seems to me a more meaningful dichotomy is between growth and affordable housing. If the area is to continue growing, there needs to be a real solution to the housing crunch.

But that one quarrel aside, I thought the article an excellent summation of views on a complex issue.

I understand that "Down East" magazine is readying another article on Bethel, focusing on the condominium scene. I'll let you know when it appears.

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Time to set the record straight. Since I firmly believe in keeping the newspaper as accurate a record as possible, I want to tell you of some errors that have made their way into our pages recently.

In my last column, introducing new members of The Citizen staff, I told you that Jeanne and Andy Boelsma and their daughters live on the Flat Road, which they do not. And I was quite aware when I wrote "Flat" Road that they live on the Bog Road. It seems that there is just so much to write each week that sometimes my fingers move faster than my brain. That's the fact of the matter. Anyway, let us leave the Boelsmas where they chose to live.

We also ran a nice basketball photo of Jim Hutchins, calling him by his father's name, Tim. That error was probably caused by my hearing "Tim" when someone said "Jim."

Town Manager Rodney Lynch says I incorrectly reported his remarks on construction debris at the landfill. While there is loads of such debris at the landfill, Mr. Lynch says he did not wish to imply that Sunday River skiway is the source of much of that debris. A check with Les Otten, at the skiway, confirms that almost all of Sunday River's construction debris is hauled off by private contractor to the commercial landfill in Norridgewock. My apologies for reporting an implication that was not implied.

Accuracy in reporting is an obligation of a newspaper to its readers, and we want to live up to that obligation. Should you notice something in the paper that is not accurate, please call us so that we may correct it.

When we next meet here, it will be 1988. I hope it will be a good year for you, and for the communities we live in.

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See you in class on January 12th.
Miss Sue

Top 10 stories

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ups for new subdivisions.

The Town of Woodstock took a big step in its efforts to deal with development. It changed to a town manager form of government and hired Kathleen Mersereau—a selectman in Rumford—as its first town manager.

☐**The number three story** was the Flood of 1987. The April 1 flood left communities throughout most of the state isolated, and, in many cases, devastated. The towns along the Androscoggin fared better than towns along the Kennebec and Piscataquis. And Bethel area towns suffered less damage than in the flood of 1936—the only other flood in memory to raise waters to such a height.

Federal and state authorities came in quickly with disaster relief to help individuals rebuild homes damaged by the floodwaters and to help towns rebuild roads washed away. The most serious damage locally was the destruction, in Gilead, of 100 yards of railroad track along the Androscoggin, which collapsed when the high embankment washed away. The CNR line was out of commission for over a week before a new embankment could be filled in.

☐**The number four story** of the year was a story of a small, local enterprise making good in the larger, outside world. The Bethel Savings Bank—a mutual savings bank owned by its depositors—decided it needed more money for expansion. The method selected for gaining the needed capital was through conversion to a public corporation and the sale of stock in the new corporation.

The new corporation was named Bethel Bancorp (BTHL on the New York Stock Exchange ticker), and the offering of a half million shares valued at over $5 million was immediately bought up by—not big city money managers—local investors. No sooner was the stock offering completed than the value of the stock rose from its initial price of $10 a share to near $15 a share. It later settled down to around $13 a share. Bank officials said the oversubscription for the stock offering showed that people had faith in the strength of the western Maine economy.

☐**The number five story** showed that, although the local economy was strong, success or failure of an enterprise depended also on factors particular to that enterprise. Thus, when the owner of the Marketplace supermarket, in Locke Mills, walked away from the store and returned to California, the failure of the business was more his own fault rather than any fault of the local economy. It later was said, by those involved in the bankruptcy of the store, that owner John Praigg was not necessarily the experienced businessman he had made himself out to be. These creditors said Mr. Praigg apparently was given a fictitious resume as a result of being in the federal government's witness-protection-program.

The store was subsequently sold out of bankruptcy to two new owners from Massachusetts. And they, by all accounts, have been doing well.

The big losers in the bankruptcy were the federal government's Small Business Administration, the Bethel Savings Bank, and the dozens of smaller companies that had extended credit to Mr. Praigg. His total debt before he bailed out was believed to have been about a half-million dollars.

Another closure was that of the Hanover Dowel Co. mill. A fixture of the Bethel wood industry since the 1930s, the mill stopped production when the owner, Wallace Saunders, could not find someone to sell to at a price he could accept.

Miller's Bakery, on Main Street, Bethel, also closed its doors. The establishment was apparently caught in a common trap of small businesses. There was too much work for one person to handle, but not enough cash flow to hire a helper.

The RFD #1 Restaurant on Main Street, Bethel, closed its doors as its owners, Sandy and Brian Strickland, wanted to turn their energies to new endeavors.

The closing of the restaurant was a severe blow to the lunchtime crowd in town. Fortunately, two men from Massachusetts opened the Backstage Restaurant and Lounge on nearby Summer Street and said recently they will open for lunch, in response to importunings from local residents.

The restaurants in the area—as well as most other establishments—were hard-pressed throughout most of the year to keep sufficient help. As statewide unemployment rates fell to new lows—below 3 percent—the labor pool dried up, leaving many establishments short-handed.

☐**The number six story** was the building of a new runway at Bethel's Col. Dyke Field. Through the efforts of town officials, the Maine National Guard spent two weeks encamped at the airport and carved a longer, and better laid out, runway for the pilots in the area. The new runway measures 3,150 feet, compared to the old runway's 2,400 feet. Unfortunately, the new runway is not usable because of the softness of the ground. Although officials had thought it could be used after being compacted and seeded, it now appears it will require paving. A request for federal (FAA) funds is already in Washington.

Along with the new runway, the airport also got its first permanent resident. The GAMM II garment factory, which had been seeking larger quarters, jumped at the opportunity of purchasing two lots in the airport industrial park. Company officials expect to move the operation from the Bethel mini mall to the airport sometime this winter.

☐**The number seven story** also concerns new construction. The new Woodstock School, which began construction in the fall of 1985, was completed in the summer of 1986. Unfortunately, the school was too small for the Woodstock school population even before it opened its doors. And when classes began this fall, a temporary building had to be leased to handle the overflow. School officials said they knew the building was going to be too small, but had they opted to change the plans for the building, the whole project would have had to go back into the approval process. The officials pointed out that the school building is expandable.

☐**The number eight story** was not tied to any particular event but rather was tied to a trend. Citizen reporter Michael Daniels did a survey of area libraries and found that—in every library except the Bethel library—the numbers of books being checked out was way down. Circulation dropped in Woodstock, from 4,200 books in 1982, to just 1,700 books in 1986, The Citizen discovered. In Andover circulation dropped by a third during the same period. People, especially young people, had simply given up reading books. The culprit was apparently the video boom. While the story caused not a ripple locally, it was certainly one of the most important pieces of information carried in the pages of this paper in many years. It was also a warning—one that apparently is unheeded.

☐**The number nine story** is a success story: about a few people who saw a problem and joined together to do something about it.

The problem these people focused on was the Androscoggin River—the river that flows almost unnoticed through the Bethel area. Because for decades it was an open sewer for industrial wastes, people turned their backs to the river. Now, however, some people realize that it can be a great recreational resource.

The group these people organized is called The Friends of the Androscoggin, and its purpose is to improve the quality of the river between Shelburne, N.H., and Rumford, and provide better access to the river, while ensuring continued public use of the river.

The group has been meeting regularly and has already enlisted the help of members of the legislature and members of state agencies. It would seem that in coming years, if there is more use of the river, it will be directly attributable to this group.

☐**The Top 10 of the year** is rounded out by number 10: the powerline plan of Central Maine Power. While not evincing much interest among Bethel residents, the powerline proposed by CMP to carry electricity from Canada to Maine and beyond will forever scar the hillsides of western Maine. Residents of Andover, in particular, have been upset by the plan and have rallied at the utility—so far without success.

The plan must still be approved by the federal government, the state Legislature and the state Public Utilities Commission. So far, the local legislators have been mum on how they view the proposal.

Those residents opposed to it argue that the power is not needed for state consumption, the 100-foot steel towers will have drastic visual impacts on the environment, and the energy fields around the 450-kv lines will have serious health effects on people and animals living near the line.

CMP officials argue that the power will be needed due to the expected increase in demand, and that there will be no health hazard.

☐**One might-have-been story** never happened, and therefore did not make it into the Top 10. But it almost happened.

That story was the making of the Don Johnson movie "Sweet Hearts Dance." Movie officials scouted out Bethel as a possible location for the movie, but they finally settled on Hyde Park, in Vermont.

What they were looking for was a quaint village—which they found in Bethel—with a school that is visible from Main Street—which they did not find in Bethel, but found only in Hyde Park.

Thus does fate play a role in the affairs of mankind. Of course there are many who would say the town had more than its share of publicity throughout the year and did not need to be the site of a Hollywood movie. Then again, there are those who said they could die happily had they just been in the same town where Don Johnson was working.

In either case, the story was possibly the biggest non-event of the year.

THIS WEEK AT THE

Moses Mason House

All members and friends are reminded that the Bethel Historical Society's 1988 schedule of monthly meetings begins Jan. 7 with the popular local history contest "So You Think You Know Bethel." Last year's winners, Merton Brown and Cathy Newell, will be defending their title against another set of challengers. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. and be held in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House.

The 1987 Endowment Campaign ends Dec. 31. To date, 93 percent of the goal has been realized, with only a few days left to go over the top. Anyone wishing to make a tax deductible contribution to the Society for this purpose is urged to send it to P.O. Box 12, Bethel, Maine 04217.

Ninety-seven new members have been added to the Society during 1987. They include Nancy Adams, West Simsbury, Conn.; Brenda Allen, Weston, Mass.; Monique Aniel, Rumford; Dorothy West Bargar, Ulrichsville, Ohio; Eleanor Bestick, Braintree, Mass.; Garret and Melody Bonnema, Bethel; Larry and Mary Brent, Springfield, Mo.; Ida Bryant, Bangor; Ethel Burns, Bratleboro, Vt.; Ethel B. Carpenter, West Lebanon, N.H.; Albert S. Chapman, Harbert, Minn.; Daphne A. Chapman, Peabody, Mass.; Deborah Howe Christianson, Richmond, B.C.; Ruth Close, Mercer Island, Wash.; Bruce and Gayle Connor, Chelmsford, Mass.; Gretchen Dock, Newton, Mass.; James Dock, San Francisco, Calif.; Nancy Dock, Chula Vista, Calif.; Phyllis Dock, Bethel, Dr. Stephen Dock, Greenville, N.C.; Roger Dock, Glastonbury, Conn.; Regina Dombkowski, Arlington, Mass.; George and Sylvia Ellis, Andover; Burton Emerson, Falls Church, Va.; Roland and Phillppa Glines, Bethel; Julie Hanson, Rumford; Florence B. Hathaway, Needham, Mass.; Alfred Howard, Augusta; Clarence and Joan Howe, Bethel; Ronald and Eunice Keddy, Plainsville, Mass.; Karl and Helen Kraul, Portland; Dale Lapham, Hanover; Douglas and Claire Lary, Willimantic, Conn.; Rev. Clifford and Elizabeth Laws, Kittery Point; Reuell Leavitt, Gorham, N.H.; Roland and Elizabeth Lord, Bryant Pond; Roy Lord, Augusta; Emeline Lufkin, Canaan, N.H.; Harry and Eleanor MacMunn, Bethel; Donald Marrer, Penfield, N.Y.; Patricia Moore, Fresno, Calif.; Dorothy Mulroy, Wellesley, Mass.; Kate Nickerson, Bethel; Helen Philbrook, Augusta; Archibald Post, Bethel; Sallie Pusey, Haymarket, Va.; Avis Rand, Bridgton; Eric and Lucia Scharz, Locke Mills; Margaret Zibert, Irvington, N.Y.; Martha E. Sweatt, Bethel; Barbara Wilson Taliaferro, Englewood, N.J.; Dorothea Nielsen, Manchester, Conn.; Althea Tucker, Rumford Point; Marian Penley Gates, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Joan Penley Detter, Santa Fe, N.M.; Fred Hayden, Mexico; John Boschetti, Bethel; William Dyer, Milford, N.H.; Florence Dyer, Milford, N.H.; Richard and Lorrie Hoch, Bethel; John Williams, Bethel; Donald and Barbara Mutchler, Bethel; Clyde C. Twitchell, Sr., Whitingham, Vt.; Erland and Margaret Wentzell, West Baldwin; Paula M. Wight, Cumberland; Robert and Lucia Wilson, Gorham, N.H.; Roland Crocker, Riverside, R.I.; John Murphy, Winthrop, R.I.; Charles Bamberg, Winthrop, R.I.; Stephen Sessions, Norway; John and Eve Crumpton, Oxford; Dr. Charles Hersey, Rumford Center; Danny Barker, East Stoneham; Evaline Kimball, Bethel; Jonathan Goldbert, Bethel; Irene Sessions, Bethel; Virginia Howard, Bethel; Dr. John and Jane Champe Payne, Baltimore, Md.

An anonymous donor has presented several books that will be useful for genealogical nad historical research. These include James W. North's "The History of Augusta, Maine;" L.G. Sorden and Jacque Vallier's "Lumberjack Lingo: A Dictionary of the Logging Era;" "Merrymac: The History of Merrimack, New Hampshire;" George Sheldon's "History of Deerfield, Massachusetts." These have now been added to the Society's collection and are available to researchers during regular business hours (M-F, 8-4) and by appointment (824-2908).

In 1887, Christmas in the Bethel area was observed at Blake's Hall (now the home of Peter Haines, in East Bethel) with a Christmas tree, "recitation by the scholars," music by the young ladies, and a dance. In Mason, there was a Christmas festival in the chapel where the minister, Rev. A.W. Witham, received an overcoat. At West Bethel there was a big party on "The Flat" at the house of C.C. Merrill. Gifts were exchanged and games played. On Holt Hill, in Bethel, the neighborhood gathered at the home of Ward Swan where they "enjoyed a bountiful picnic supper and a large variety of fruit from one of Maine's beautiful spruces." In Upton, there was Christmas entertainment at the church, with children singing, recitations, tableaus and pantomines. The presents were recorded as both "numerous and valuable." In Locke Mills, the Locke Mills orchestra played for the gathering at the church.

Avalanche of skiers

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Ms. Anton described the scene at the Locke Mills skiway as follows: "The parking lot was full and everybody looked happy."

Both skiways experienced technical problems with lifts on Sunday, but that didn't seem to dampen the enthusiasm of the skiers. At Sunday River, the two new quad chairs were not operating at times Sunday morning, leading to—at one point—a 19-minute lift line at the Locke Mountain triple, Ms. Gray said. But when the new quads began taking people up the mountain, lift lines decreased to an average 7½ minutes, she said.

At Mt. Abram, the T-bar was put out of commission for awhile by riders going off to the side and pulling the cable from the pulley. But the malfunction was quickly repaired, Ms. Anton said.

Low income households can get phone subsidies

Human Services Commissioner Rollin Ives said recently telephone payment subsidies of $4.50 to $5 a month will be available to more than 96,000 low-income families next year.

The department will be mailing applications for the subsidies to households who receive Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), food stamps, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Medicaid and Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

The Public Utilities Commission paved the way for low-income telephone consumers to receive the subsidies. In cooperation with the Department of Human Services and the Division of Community Services, a mailing list was developed to invite low-income eligibles to apply for the subsidy.

Commissioner Ives said the program "is an example of not only several state agencies cooperating for a common goal, but a partnership with the private telephone companies in offering low-income households a resource to maintain telephone service."

The subsidy will appear as a credit on the telephone customer's bill once eligibility has been verified.

The Department of Human Services, Division of Community Services, Public Utilities Commission and representatives of Maine's 19 telephone companies have been planning the implementation of the program for several months.

The program offered will be similar to the telephone installation subsidy program for low-income telephone consumers who can have a telephone installed or service restored for as little as $10, rather than the normal cost of about $45. Gradually, other Maine telephone companies joined the program so that by the fall of 1987, all telephone companies offered a subsidy for installation of telephones.

After the initial push to offer all of Maine's low income households a payment subsidy application, the Department of Human Services and the Division of Community Services, through its Community Action Agencies across the state, will work with telephone companies to add new eligibles and to delete those customers no longer eligible.

For more information, contact Charles Jacobs, Public Utilities Commission, telephone, 289-3831, or Douglas Hall, Department of Human Services, telephone, 289-5100.

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High Street
West Paris
By VIVA WHITMAN

A white Christmas for everyone is the order of the day, I guess. May get more snow today, Wednesday, and a chance of snow on Christmas, so anyone wanting a white Christmas should be happy. I must admit the snow makes the trees so pretty as it clings to the branches. It has stayed on so long the last two times, and with no wind or rain to take it off it keeps the trees dressed in nice white finery.

Finally got my Christmas things done and wrapped and now some cooking needs to be done to make the day a success. Just hope the snow is light so my families get here for all the goodies. The tree already looks like Santa had come, and there is more to go on the tree. Maybe we will only be able to see the top by the time everyone gets here with their donations for each other. It's not the amount that counts but the thought, as far as I am concerned. I love to watch the children get their gifts and see their eyes light up with all the goodies they get. That is the true meaning of Christmas. As they have said on TV, Christmas is for kids.

I have been sewing some things for my granddaughters so they know I love them. Don't have the money to buy much, so make things instead—and love doing it. Also doing some crocheting on items for the future. Many of those who get doilies from me get originals as I don't bother with a pattern but make it up as I go. To me, that is more fun and makes the doilies more unique for the ones who receive them.

Went to see Dr. Jealous last Friday for a good treatment. It helped a lot but could use another one about now. However, I won't bother him during the Christmas season and hope my head doesn't get to feeling too rotten. I will be glad when I get the work done on my jaws to see if it helps as they think it will. I didn't realize that arthritis could get into one's jaw so much. Oh well, just one of those things, I guess.

Wynona and girls were up to supper last Friday night. They brought up some of their Christmas gifts, as they didn't think they would have room Christmas day. We had a nice visit with them, and I cut Kariann's hair while they were here. It grows fast and needed cutting badly. Hopefully, it curls better by now.

We sat up Friday night to watch "The Sound of Music," so didn't get up very early on Saturday morning. I did some washing and some cooking as I had gotten some bananas for banana bread. It always tastes good for a change, and I like to get the ripe bananas when they are on sale.

Sunday was a snowy day even though it didn't count up to too many inches of snow. Just a nasty day, so we stayed inside and Russell and Peggy played cards while I crocheted and sewed some. Got too dark to sew on dark colored cloth so I gave up on that and crocheted. Made a little popcorn for all, and as we hadn't had any for a long time, it tasted good.

Went out Monday morning to help clear snow off the cars, and Russell used his snowblower to clear the yard so I could go to the chiropractor for a treatment. Peggy went also, and Russell went along to go looking for an item he wanted for a Christmas gift. However, he didn't find it. We were to go to Grange in the evening, and being a Christmas party we were to take something for refreshments, so Russell stirred up some Rice Krispies. They always taste good and are something I can have, so make them for such occasions. We showed them our warm-up exercises for starters during the program and then sang Christmas songs before having the tree and refreshments. I think all had a good time.

We were sorry to hear that our Master, Richard Felt, had hurt his back in the woods. Back trouble isn't to be scoffed at. It makes it hard to do anyting at all, so hope he gets better fast.

Decided to do the washing and take it downtown to dry it, so I did the main wash and Russell did his personal wash and we wert to town. Got the wash dried, shopped at several stores as well as paying a bill and going to the bank. Really got things done up good. Got home to get lunch and I sewed up a top in the afternoon and finished doing up my Christmas gifts. All done but the shouting, now. Do have some cooking I plan to do, but at least I don't have to worry about gifts as I did last year. I was sewing Christmas Eve to get the last dress done. I decided I wasn't going to do that this year and so am done for now. Oh I have things to sew, but they will wait till after Christmas.

Cleaning and cooking will keep me busy today and tomorrow so no need to worry what to do. I'm sure I can keep out of mischief with all there is to be done.

I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and an even better New Year. It will be here before you hardly get turned around, so make the most of it. Take care one and all, and I hope we don't get enough snow to prevent anyone from having their families with them and enjoying the holidays.

X-C SKI RACE AT CARTER'S

Carter's Last Stand, a U.S.S.A.-sanctioned ski event will be held Friday, Jan. 1, beginning at 1 p.m., at Carter Farm Market and X-C Ski Center, in Oxford.

All age groups and all skiing abilities are welcome to attend. Registration starts at 11 a.m. For further information call 539-4848.

North Paris
By EVELINE B. VATCHER

We wish all of our friends a very Happy New Year filled with peace and contentment.

Mrs. Florence Ilsley, 100 years young, went to Amesbury, Mass., Dec. 24 to spend the long holiday weekend with her daughter and family. They came for her. She had a new perm Wednesday so she would feel younger. The farm chores will be on the shelf for a few days.

Mrs. Jeanne Millett, Greenwood, Mrs. Sherry Thayer and son, Jason, South Paris, called on their Aunt Doris Lawrence and Eveline Vatcher Tuesday p.m. Jason was on the way to his home after being with his grandparents for five days.

Robert Ilsley Sr. went to Calais Thursday to spend Christmas with his wife and son, Robert Jr.

Doris Lawrence and Joe Vatcher called on Barbara Felt this week.

As I write these items, Mrs. Agnes Coffins' family are planning a surprise Christmas visit for her to her home for dinner and a loaded tree if the weatherman is kind. Agnes is a patient at Ledgeview Nursing Home for awhile.

Eveline has a beautiful live Christmas tree three feet tall, four feet around the top and has 22 beautiful red poinsettia blossoms. She never saw one like it before. Beautiful.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Farrar held their wedding reception at Community Hall, Dec. 19.

At Andover . . .
Elderwood Manor Items
by Florence Hall

Elizabeth Sennett has gone to Thomaston to visit with her daughter, Charlotte Hayes, over the Christmas holidays.

Bus riders to Rumford on Wednesday were Catherine McGuire and Dorothy Elliott.

Gertrude Hutchins, Florence Hall and Flora Whitten were shopping at the Abbott Plaza on Tuesday.

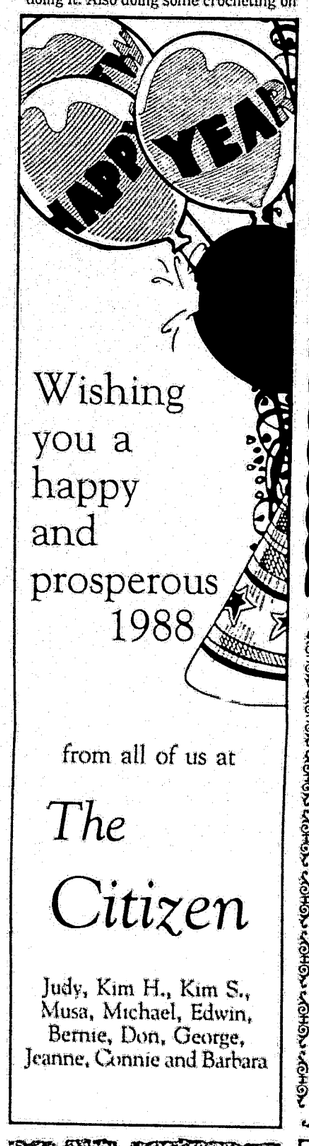
Dorothy Elliott was a supper guest of her newphew "Bob" Elliott and family on Sunday night.

Kitty Fox, Bethel, took Anne Fox shopping in Rumford recently.

Visitors at Gertrude Hutchins' were nieces Dorothy Pace, Mexico, and Mrs. John Martin, Dixfield.

Thought for the day:

Christmas Eve is traditionally a night of profound revelation. It's when parents all over the world look up from easy-to-assemble toys-and realize that part 1067C is missing.



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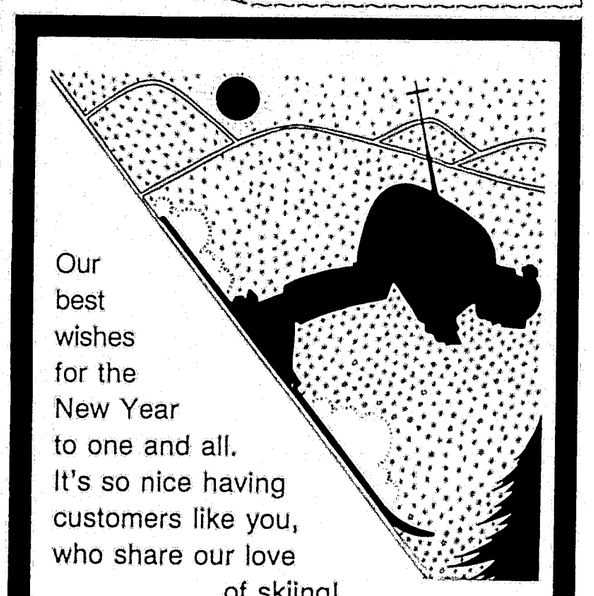

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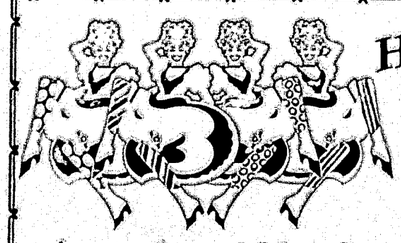

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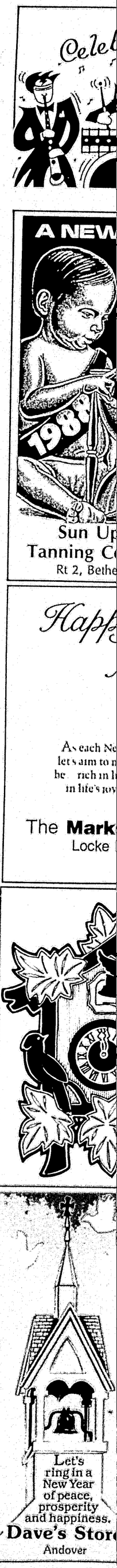

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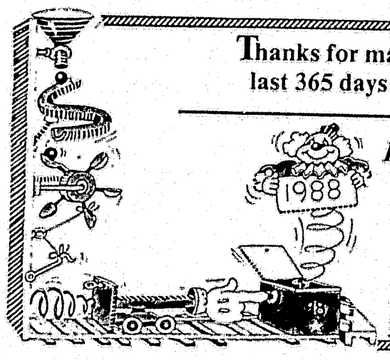

Thanks for making our last 365 days so nice.

Happy New Year, friends!

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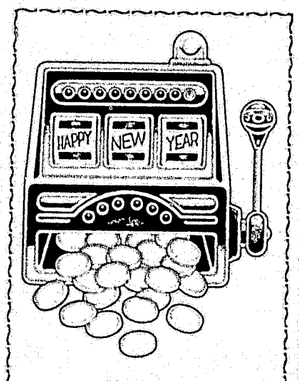

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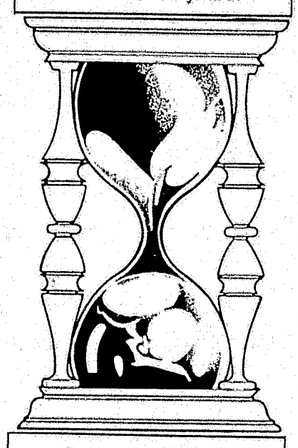

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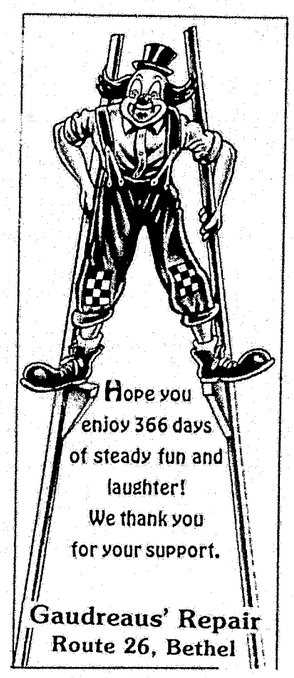

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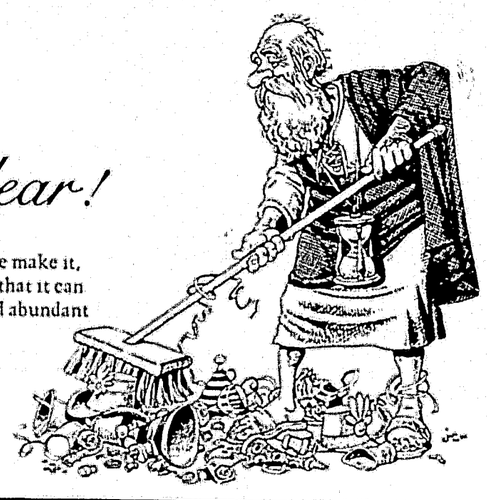

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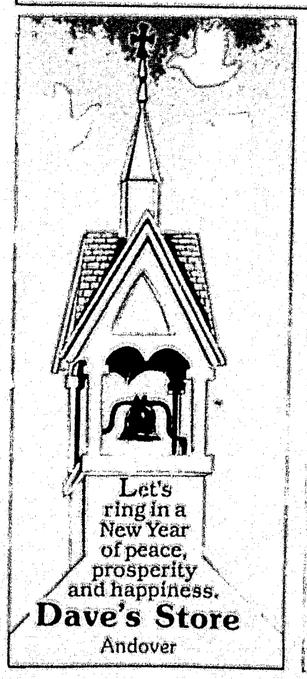

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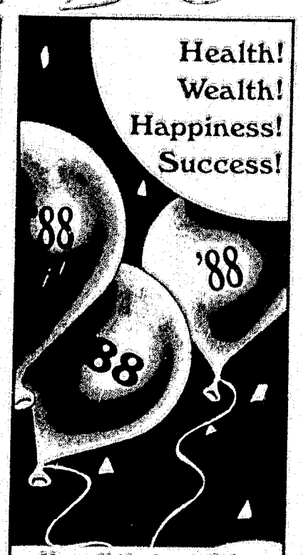

May all the joys of the New Year Be Yours!

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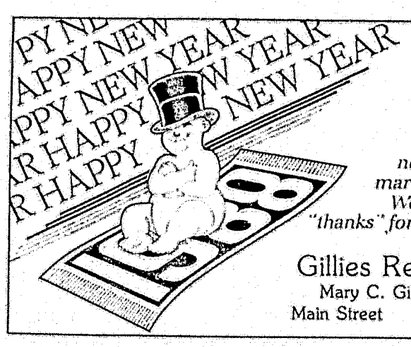

Hope you soar to marvelous new heights in this marvelous New Year! We're happy to say, "thanks" for your patronage.

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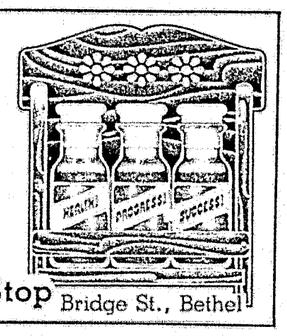
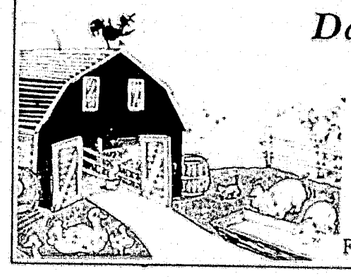


Red Top Truck Stop Bridge St., Bethel

A New Year is Dawning...



May it mean 366 days of sunshine in your heart! Thanks and happy New Year.

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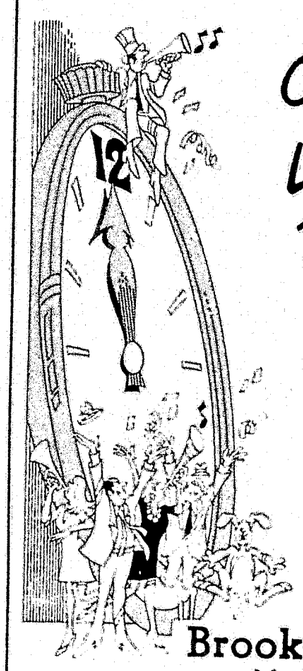

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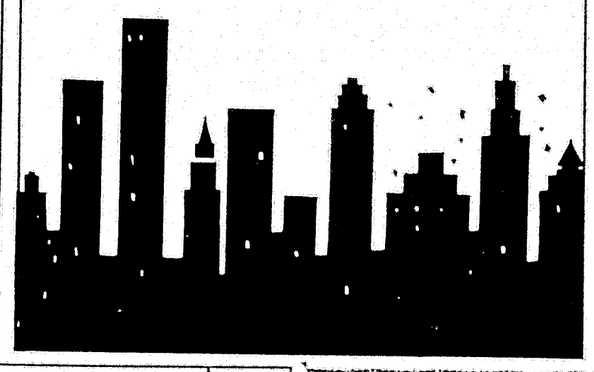

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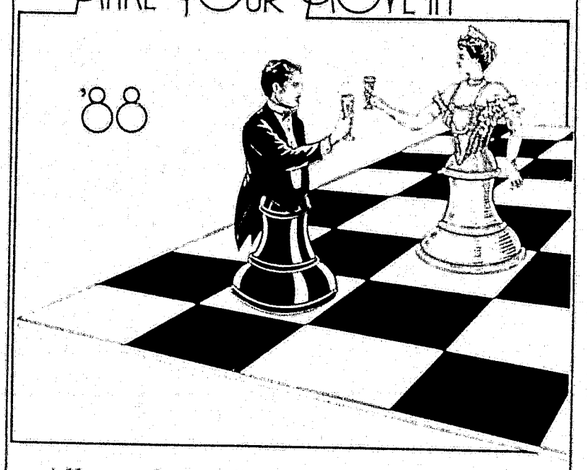

All our best New Year's wishes to you and your mate!
Thanks, Friends

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Happy New Year To All

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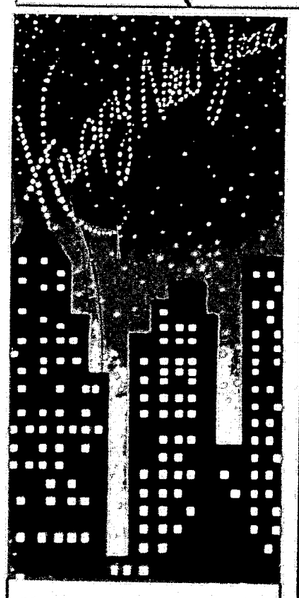
Railroad St. Bethel

You Can't Hold it Back Forever! Let Time Pass and the New Year In..

And May it Bring You All Peace and Happiness in 1988!

Bouffard's
Waldo Street, Rumford



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The spotlights are on 1988 and all the great things in store! May it be a hit year for you! Thanks, friends for your support

Bob's Corner Store
Locke Mills

We just know that this New Year will be great!

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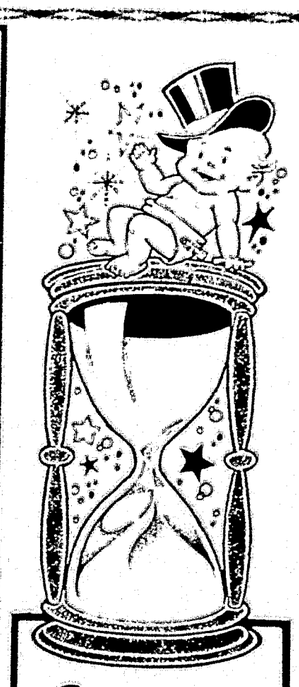

Success To All In The New Year

Boise Cascade
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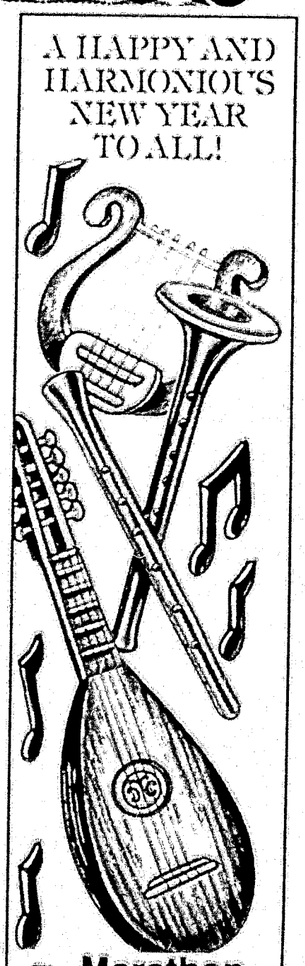

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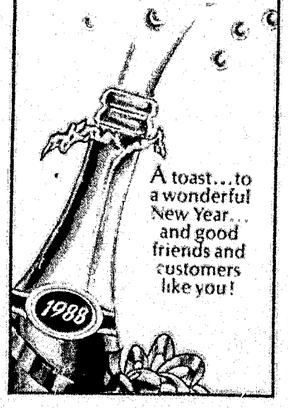
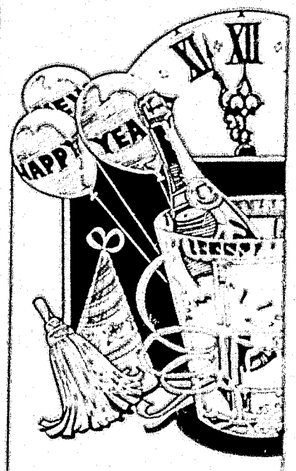


A toast...to a wonderful New Year... and good friends and customers like you!

R.A. Douglass Inc.



Rostay Motor Inn
Bethel

Newry

By AMY HANSCOM

Selectmen Stephen Wight and Roger Hanscom met last Tuesday morning. Lee Swan was absent as he is in the hospital. A notice was signed, to be posted, notifying voters that a public hearing will be held Jan. 12 at 9 a.m., at the town office on updating the General Assistance Ordinance. Voters will be given a chance to be heard before this is accepted by the selectmen.

Veronica Smith called to inquire about material which she and the Planning Board will need in updating the Town Shoreland Zoning, Floodplain and other maps.

Most of the morning was spent in getting figures together for the Annual Town Report. Some of the accounts are closed out and Selectman Roger Hanscom has done work in typing up the report for the printer.

Because of Christmas, the Town Clerk, Treasurer's and Tax Collector's office will be open from 9 a.m. to noon, Thursday, Dec. 25, instead of the usual 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. hours.

Tax Collector Mary Tripp reported that some taxes are coming in without the interest. Interest at the rate of 11 percent is charged on all taxes not payed before Oct. 1, interest starting on that date.

Taxes paid without the interest will be considered as a partial payment, and liens will be placed on the property for the amount due. Liens are placed for unpaid taxes, or part therof, not less than eight months, or more than a year from date of commitment.

The deadline for presenting articles to be placed in the warrant for the annual Town Meeting is Dec. 31.

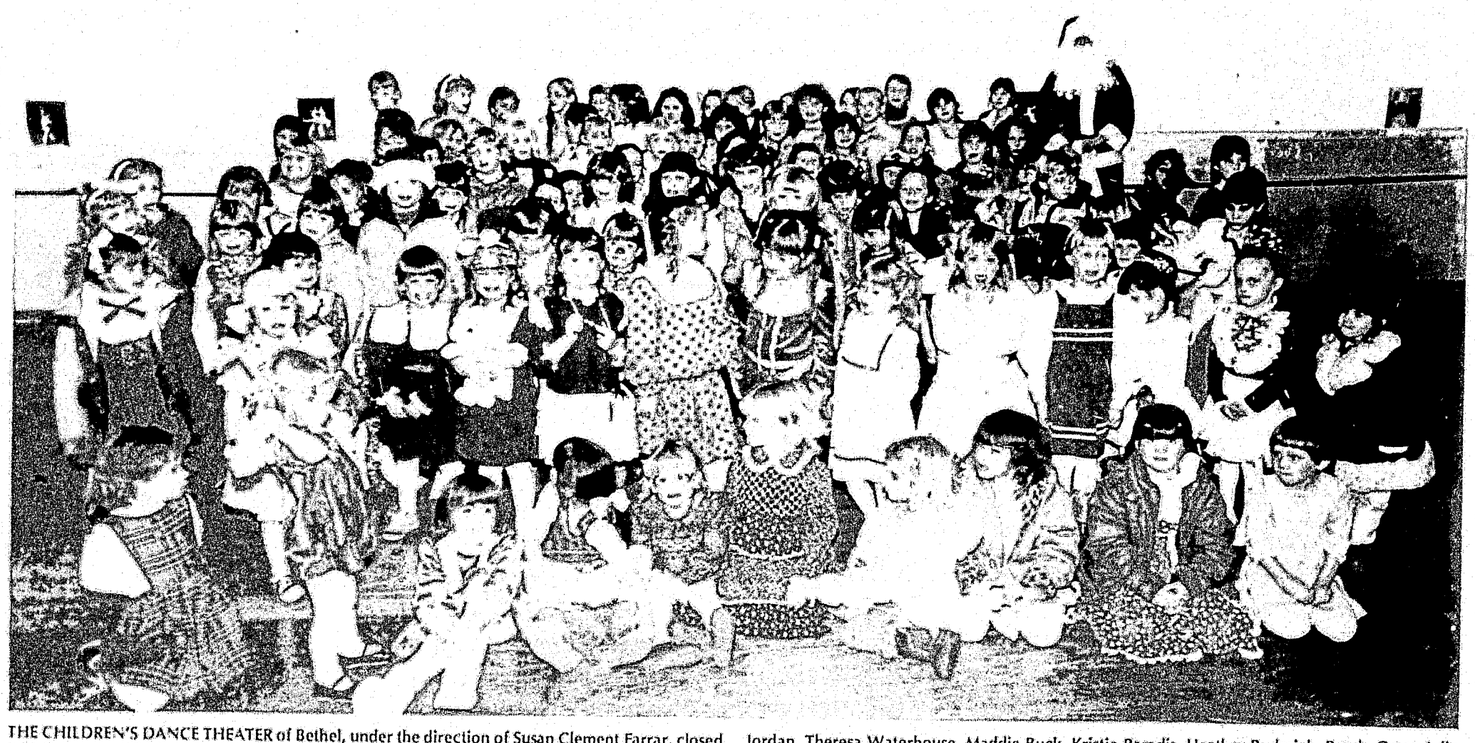
The title of Pastor Hanscom's message Sunday morning, Dec. 20, was "Jerusalem Oh Jerusalem", with Scripture readings from 2nd Samuel 7:8-16; Isaiah 9:2-7 and St. Matthew 1:18-25, with Scott Wight reading the Scriptures.

A group went caroling Tuesday evening, starting at Newry Corner and ending at Willard and Sylvia Wight's for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Hanscom, Jay Adam and Eric, attended a Christmas Party Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom and Nancy. Bethel Lisa Boylan was home from the University of New England, Biddeford, for Christmas.

Marsha Mowers was home from Bowdoin College for the Christmas holidays. Thelma Lowery, Betsy Clark, Karlene Bachelder, Sylvia Wight, Gilberte Seeley, Eleanor Davis and Beatrice Lowell were in Rumford bowling, Dec. 23. Karlene Bachelder was high scorer. After bowling, the ladies had lunch and went shopping.

The next meeting of the Newry Ladies Circle will be held at Freda Robertson's at 7:30, Jan. 4. Members are asked to bring a wrapped article for the auction.



THE CHILDREN'S DANCE THEATER of Bethel, under the direction of Susan Clement Farrar, closed its fall season with the annual trip to Ledgeview Nursing Home to perform Christmas songs and dances for the patients there. Those taking part were, front row: Paige Brown, Michelle Deegan, Lisa Meader, Sara Rackliffe, Angie Kreiten, Nicki Kreiten, Fern Hickey, Wendy Walker, Heather Walker, Rachel Pollack; second row: Miranda Stinson, Megan Paquette, Amanda McGrew, Jill Fyrberg, Kelly Rosenberg, Heather Jordan, Erica Gunderson, Allana Kennagh, Erin Dennis, Renee Royer, Emily Parsons, Jean Faulkenberg, Verina Robiller, Kassi Mason; third row: Becky LaVallee, Jamie Grover, Jamie Johnson, Jessica deNormandie, Anna Sysko, Kayce Gilbert, Riley Hanson, Janelle deNormandie, Sara Vedella, Corrie Rolfe, Amanda Driscoll, Bridget Billings, Beth Putnam; fourth row: Rebecca Frazer, Mandy Berry, Erin Riley, Erin Osgood, Jenny Sue Howe, Kristy Walker, Amanda Jordan, Theresa Waterhouse, Maddie Buck, Kristie Paradis, Heather Roderick, Randy Gross, Julie Gross, Katie Putnam; fifth row: Deanna Ryerson, Hillary Harrison, Marcy LaVallee, Shanna Walker, Katie Chapman, Martha Grover, Karen Wheeler, Monica Rolfe, Dana Howe, Erin Kavanagh, Betsy Kuzyk, Nathan Whitworth; sixth row: Naomi Fox, Patrine Nielsen, Sarah Cohen, Erica Carson, Lydia Grover, Amanda Sysko, Aimee Kaulback, Melina, Abbie Munce, Jessie Wight, Kelly Paradis; seventh row: Shye Buck, Jacob Bartholemew, Kevin Rosenberg, Kendra Hutchinson, Harmony Mills, Amy Brindley, Jennie Cooley, Leah Bonnema, Bekka Kuzyk, Darby Hickey; back row: Rebecca Hanscom, Heather Roberts, Kristen Powell, Emily Danforth, Cheri Myers, Becky Hunt, Meredith Otten, Melissa Howe, Amy Howe, Jennifer Bowie, Beth Craig, Heather Harrison, Donna Irish.

(Photo by Jeanne Boelsma)

West Greenwood

By CAROLYN COLBY

Katrina Lowe was home from North Conway to spend Christmas with her parents, Bob and Mona Lowe.

Bob, Mona and Katrina Lowe, Janie and Philippe Rolfe, Corrie and Monica, Alan and Christina Lowe, MaryAnn and Andy had a Christmas Eve tree at Frances Farnum's in Bryant Pond.

The Lowes were at the Rolfes' for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Emery, Westbrook, and Irene and Lew Charest, Lewiston, visited Joe and Muriel Gilbert during the week.

Henry Deegan and Julie, Cape Elizabeth, Marion and Kathryn Soule, Palermo, were at Joe and Leah Deegan's this week. Kathy Lessard phoned home from California on Christmas day.

Leah went back to work this last week. Although she gets very tired and her back is still painful, she is better than she was.

Ray, Janice and Patrick Harrington joined her brother Don Johnson and his family at their parents, Cora and Alfred Johnson, in Norway for their Christmas tree on Christmas eve.

On Christmas day the Harringtons' dinner guests were Dewaine, Sarah, Chris, Adam and Beth Craig. Phonecalls were received from Robbie Harrington, Georgia, Tom Harrington, Germany, and Janice's brothers, Don Johnson, Norway, and George Johnson up from Connecticut.

Irene Wilson has had the first piliated woodpecker she has seen at her bird feeder.

I want to thank those who have contributed items for the column this past year and wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Happy Holidays to my sister, Mary Mills, over there in Bosters Mills, who pointed out that I forgot her in the list of West Greenwoodites who are now living away.

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The *Citizen's* prime time TV guide

THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 31, 1987

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	Explorers	Elegance	Tomorrow	Cinema	Commodities		Animals	Refuge	Factory	Outdoors
(5)	Remington Steele		Hell Town		700 Club		Talk	Outdoors	Remington Steele	
6	Family Ties	Cheers	Cosby	Diff. World	Cheers	Night Court	Orange Parade		News	Tonight
8	Newlywed	Dating	Sledge H.	Movie: "The Electric Horseman"					News	New Year
(9)	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Movie: "Greased Lightning"				Movie: "The Way We Were"			
10	MacNeil/Lehrer		Great Performances				Happy New Year U.S.A.!			
(11)	Family		Lady Blue		Movie: "Joseph Andrews"				Way Off Broadway	
(12)	Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now			New Ctry.	Crook	Video	Be a Star	Nashville
13	Memories	Jeopardy!	B. Bunny	Betty Boop	Movie: "Barnum"				News	New Year
(16C)	Cheers	INN News	Bluebonnet Bowl: Pittsburgh vs. Texas						INN News	H'mooner
(18E)	"Lucas"		"Close Encounters of the Third Kind - The Special Edition"				Movie: "Gorky Park"			
(20G)	High School Hockey: Providence Journal Invitational					Greatest Athletes		Fishing	Sportfishing	Hockey
(21H)	SportsCtr.	Final Four	College Basketball: Vanderbilt at Kentucky				AWA Championship Wrestling			SportsCtr.
(22I)	A. Griffith	Sanford	Movie: "Indiscreet"				Movie: "That's Entertainment II"			
(24K)	Can't/TV	Mr. Wizard	Car 54	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	Laugh In	Monkees	Sothern	I Spy
(26M)	Airwolf		Riptide		WWF Wrestling Challenge				"Animal Crackers"	
(27N)	Rockline	Buffalo Bill	Miller	Cosi Fan Tutte						
(29P)	Inside the NFL		Comic Relief				Paul Reiser		Roseanne Barr Show	
(31R)	"Charley and the Angel"		Rock in the New Year		Movie: "Grambling's White Tiger"				Ozzie	Ozzie
(32S)	Pyramid	B. Miller	New Years	Entertain.	Morton Downey Jr.		News		Simon & Simon	
(34U)	Cheers	B. Miller	Movie: "The Four Seasons"				News	INN News	Jeffersons	Magnum,

FRIDAY EVENING JANUARY 1, 1988

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	L. Chance	Summer	Factory	India	Soviet Women		Small World		Jerusalem	Knight
(5)	Remington Steele		Paper Chase		700 Club		Talk	Frontier	Remington Steele	
6	Rose Bowl		Orange Bowl: Oklahoma vs. Miami						News	Top of the
8	Newlywed	Dating	Full House	Dora	Belvedere	Pursuit	20/20		News	Nightline
(9)	National Geographic		Movie: "D.A.R.Y.L."				Next President		Too Close	W. North
10	MacNeil/Lehrer		Wash. Wk.	Wall St. Wk.	Mainewatch		Mystery		Fr'sh Fields	Neighbors
(11)	Family		Lady Blue		Movie				Way Off Broadway	
(12)	Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now			New Ctry.	Crook	Video	Be a Star	Nashville
13	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Beauty and the Beast		Movie: "Drop Out Mother"				News	Top of the
(16C)	Cheers	INN News	Hill Street Blues		Movie: "A Little Romance"				INN News	H'mooners
(18E)	"Still of the Night"		Movie: "Paper Moon"				Movie: "Over the Top"			Circuit
(20G)	WWF Wrestling				TBA	Sp. Quest	Golf: Tucker Anthony		Candlepin Bowling	
(21H)	SportsCtr	SpeedWeek	Auto Racing		Drag Race	Women's Weightlifting		Bodybuilding		SportsCtr.
(22I)	A. Griffith	Sanford	Superstation Remembers The Beverly Hillbillies				Laverne	Alice	Night Tracks	
(24K)	Can't/TV	Mr. Wizard	Car 54	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	Laugh In	Monkees	Susie	I Spy
(26M)	Airwolf		Riptide		Movie: "The Clones"					
(27N)	Montreux	Buffalo Bill	Australia Live! A Bicentennial Celebration							
(29P)	Inside the NFL		Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom"				Movie: "The Jewel of the Nile"			
(31R)	Movie: "The Christmas Visitor"				Movie: "True Grit"					Argentina
(32S)	Pyramid	B. Miller	Magazine	Entertain.	Morton Downey Jr.		News		Simon & Simon	
(34U)	"From Here to Eternity" Cont'd		Movie: "On the Waterfront"					News		Cukoo Nst

SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 2, 1988

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	Survive		AC Clarke	Furnace	Tao The Way		You Australia		Explorers	Elegance
(5)	Monroes	Campbells	Movie: "This Is the Army"				Paper Chase		Ankerberg	Zola Levitt
6	Star Trek		Facts/Life	227	Golden G	Amen	JJ Starbuck		News	Main Event
8	Star Search		Ohara		Sable		Hotel			Throb
(9)	Marblehead	The Sheriff	President	In Prison	B. Baxter	Chance	Fri. the 13th Series		NBA Basketball	
10	DeGrasse	Wild Amer	WonderWorks		Doctor Who					Exit 13
(11)	Previews	Movie				Way Off Broadway		Our Group	Lady Blue	
(12)	Kitchen	Wk./Music	Backstage	Grand Opry	Volunteer Jam		Kitchen	Countryclips		Wk./Music
13	Fortune	Hockey						Sisk/Ebert	News	Rangers
(16C)	Darkside	Charles	Movie: "Heaven's Gate"					INN News	"Gray Lady Down"	
(18E)	The Boy Who Could Fly		Movie: "Serpico"					Movie: "Hour of the Assassin"		
(20G)	NHL Hockey: Quebec Nordiques at Boston Bruins						Racing: Goodys Cup 500			Hockey
(21H)	College Basketball: Kentucky at Georgia				College Basketball: Notre Dame at LaSalle				SportsCen.	Basketball
(22I)	Championship Wrestling		Movie: "Where Eagles Dare"						Night Tracks	
(24K)	Star Trek	Gadget	Laugh In	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	I Spy		Movies	Monkees
(26M)	Mike Hammer		College Basketball: Georgetown at Miami				Hitchcock	Theater	Movie: "Mask of Dijon"	
(27N)	Golden Age Associates		World War I	Betw Wars	Living Dangerously		Blott on the Landscape		Special Screening	
(29P)	Poltergeist II Cont'd		Movie: "Wisdom"				11th Annual Comedians		Missing In Action	
(31R)	Movie: "Smoke"			Preview	Movie: "On the Double"			College B	Except For Thee and Me	
(32S)	It's a Living	Mama	B. Buddies	NHL Hockey: New York Rangers at Minnesota North Stars						News
(34U)	It's a Living	Mama	Movie: "My Favorite Year"				News	INN News	H.'s Heroes	Cheyenne

SUNDAY EVENING JANUARY 3, 1988

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	Taxi		Christians		Penguins - Survivors		Survival	The 1880s	Wrong Note	
(5)	Crossbow	Africa	Paper Chase		In Touch		Ben Haden	Rock Alive		Ed Young
6	Our House		Family Ties	Two Dads	Movie: "An Officer and a Gentleman"				News	Sports
8	"Flight of the Navigator"		Spenser: For Hire		Dolly		Buck James			NCTV Hour
(9)	21 Jump Street		Werewolf	Children	T. Ullman	Duet	Hardcastle		Monitor	At Movies
10	Upstairs, Downstairs		Nature		Masterpiece Theatre		Mr. Palfrey		Butterflies	Dining
(11)	AMA Video Clinic		Physicians Fml.		Cardiology	Medicine	Ob / Gyn	Milestones	Update	Medicine
(12)	American Sports Cavalcade			Racing	You Here	Fisherman	Bassmastr	Horse	Motoworld	Heroes
13	60 Minutes		Murder, She Wrote		Movie: "Once Upon A Texas Train"					Comedy
(16C)	Movie Cont'd		Star Trek: Next Gener		Star Search		Rich & Famous		INN News	H'mooner
(18E)	Movie: "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom"				Sessions: Roy Orbison		Movie: "Apocalypse Now"			
(20G)	Golf: Tucker Anthony		Red Sox Baseball Replay				WWF Wrestling		Fishing	Outdoors
(21H)	NFL Prime Time		Boxing					Sports	SportsCenter Sunday	
(22I)	Movie: "Shaft's Big Score!"				National Geographic Explorer				Page	J. Falwell
(24K)	Movies	Smothers	Laugh In	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	I Spy		Smothers	Monkees
(26M)	Riptide		Mike Hammer		Cover Story	Hollywood	Robert Klein Time		Young	Success
(27N)	Living Dangerously		Working S	Minister	Telephone Hour		War Babies		Variety To	Blackadd.
(29P)	Movie: "The Turning Point"				Movie: "Cobra"			1st & Ten	"Into The Homeland"	
(31R)	Movie: "The Man Who Came to Dinner"				Movie: "To the Shores of Tripoli"			Preview	Movie: "On the Double"	
(32S)	"Dear Heart" Cont'd		Movie: "Eleanor, First Lady of the World"				News	Sports	Next President	
(34U)	Movie: "Life With Father" Cont'd			At Movies	Star Search		News	INN News	Darkside	Lou Grant

MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 4, 1988

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	World Alive	Silent For.	Perspective	True Adv.	Animals	Orphans	Kingdoms	Indian	Here's to the Cowboy	
(5)	Remington Steele		Father Murphy		700 Club		Talk	Chiefs	Remington Steele	
6	Family Ties	Cheers	ALF	Vai Family	Movie: "The Ann Jillian Story"				News	Tonight
8	Newlywed	Dating	MacGyver		Movie: "City Heat"				News	Nightline
(9)	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Movie: "Our Family Business"		NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Utah Jazz					
10	MacNeil/Lehrer		First Among Equals		Exit 13	Video	Championship Skating		Wild Amer	Bless Me
(11)	Family		Generations		Movie				Cover-Up	
(12)	Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now			New Ctry.	Crook	Video	Be a Star	Nashville
13	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Kate & Allie	Frank's Pl.	Newhart	D. Women	Wiseguy		News	Hunter
(16C)	Cheers	INN News	Hill Street Blues		Movie				INN News	H'mooner
(18E)	"The Cowboys" Cont'd		Movie: "True Grit"				Movie: "El Dorado"			
(20G)	Bruins		NHL Hockey: Edmonton Oilers at Boston Bruins						Golf: Tucker Anthony	Hockey
(21H)	SportsCtr.		College Basketball: Villanova at St. John's				College Basketball: Purdue at Illinois			Basketball
(22I)	A. Griffith	Sanford	Movie: "The Gazebo"						Movie: "The Other Side of the Mountain"	
(24K)	Can't/TV	Dbl. Dare	Car 54	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	Laugh In	Monkees	Susie	I Spy
(26M)	Airwolf		Riptide		WWF Prime Time Wrestling				Airwolf	
(27N)	Journey	Survival	Australia		Movie: "Rain"				Evening at the Improv	
(29P)	Hobson	Fraggle	Movie: "Howard the Duck"					Robert Townsend		"Armed and Dangerous"
(31R)	To the Sea	Mouseterpi.	Wilderness Bound		Movie: "State Fair"				Ozzie	Indiana
(32S)	Pyramid	B. Miller	Evening	Entertain.	Morton Downey Jr.		News		Simon & Simon	
(34U)	Cheers	B. Miller	College Basketball: Notre Dame at Lafayette				News	INN News	Jeffersons	Magnum,

TUESDAY EVENING JANUARY 5, 1988

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	Disappearing World		Dietmar Fill	Animal	Fantasea		Animal W.	Refuge	American Diary	
(5)	Remington Steele		Crossbow	Branded	700 Club		Talk	Chiefs	Remington Steele	
6	Family Ties	Feedback	Matlock		Hunter		Crime Story		News	Carson
8	Newlywed	Dating	Boss	Gro. Pains	Moonlighting		thirtysomething		News	Nightline
(9)	M*A*S*H	Health Line	Movie: "The Shining"				World Vision		Too Close	W. North
10	MacNeil/Lehrer		Nova		Who Lives, Who Dies		Killing of Bhopal		McLaughlin	One/One
(11)	Family		Lady Blue		Movie				Cover-Up	
(12)	Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now			New Ctry	Crook	Video	Be a Star	Nashville
13	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Brown	Cathy	Jake and the Fatman		Cagney & Lacey		News	Diamonds
(16C)	Cheers	INN News	Movie						INN News	H'mooner
(18E)	"On the Right Track"		Movie: "Play It Again, Sam"			Cinemax	"Police Academy 3: Back in Training"			Boy/Fly
(20G)	TBA		AHL Hockey: New Haven Nighthawks at Maine Mariners				Hockey	WWF Wrestling		Big East
(21H)	SportsCtr.	Countdown	NHL Hockey: Teams to Be Announced						Sports	SportsCtr
(22I)	A. Griffith	Sanford	NBA Basketball: Detroit Pistons at Atlanta Hawks						Movie: "One Million Years B.C."	
(24K)	Can't/TV	Dbl. Dare	Car 54	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	Laugh In	Monkees	Susie	I Spy
(26M)	Airwolf		Riptide		Movie: "Thieves Like Us"					Airwolf
(27N)	Montreux	Survival	Errol Flynn		Movie: "The Ploughman's Lunch"				Good/Cafe	Rotten
(29P)	"The Goonies" Cont'd		Movie: "Wisdom"					Murder or Mercy		Rich and Famous
(31R)	Mark Twain	Mouseterpi	Hadleyburg		Movie: "Charley and the Angel"				Ozzie	Big Gamble
(32S)	Pyramid	B. Miller	Magazine	Entertain.	Morton Downey Jr.		News		Simon & Simon	
(34U)	Cheers	B. Miller	Movie: "Into the Night"					News	INN News	Jeffersons	Magnum,

WEDNESDAY EVENING JANUARY 6, 1988

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(4)	Living Isles	Fm. Omaha	Breakthru	Questors	Caravaggio Conspiracy		Nature	Nature	Christians	
(5)	Remington Steele		Honeymoon	Africa	700 Club		Talk	Snapshots	Remington Steele	
6	Main Street		Highway to Heaven		Year in the Life		St. Elsewhere		News	Tonight
8	Newlywed	Dating	Perfect S	Head Class	Hooperman	S. Maxwell	Dynasty		News	Nightline
(9)	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Movie: "Heaven's Gate"				Rockford Files		Too Close	W. North
10	MacNeil/Lehrer		Infinite Voyage		Discover: Science		1988 Money Guide		Castle	Manor Born
(11)	Family		Lady Blue		Movie				Cover-Up	
(12)	Be a Star	Fandango	Nashville Now			New Ctry	Crook	Video	Be a Star	Nashville
13	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Oldest Rookie		Equalizer		Equalizer		News	Adderly
(16C)	Cheers	INN News	Movie						INN News	H'mooner
(18E)	Movie: "Lucas" Cont'd		Movie: "Over the Top"				Movie: "Let's Get Harry"			Indiana
(20G)	Calhoun Ct	TBA	College Basketball: Indiana at Iowa				College Basketball: Michigan at Northwestern			
(21H)	College Basketball: Pittsburgh at Georgetown				College Basketball				Sports	SportsCtr
(22I)	A. Griffith	Sanford	Movie: "The Wild Geese"						Movie: "High Noon"	
(24K)	Can't/TV	Dbl. Dare	Car 54	Mister Ed	My 3 Sons	D. Reed	Laugh In	Monkees	Susie	I Spy
(26M)	Airwolf		Riptide		Movie: "Players"				Airwolf	
(27N)	Montreux	Survival	Vic. at Sea	Churchill	Living Dangerously		Walk Through 20th Century			At Improv
(29P)	Miracles Cont'd		Movie: "The Best of Times"				1st & Ten		Movie: "The Tender Age	
(31R)	Racecourse	Mouseterpi.	Edison T.	Danger Bay	Movie: "Except For Thee and Me"				Ozzie	White Tiger
(32S)	Pyramid		NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Boston Celtics				News		Simon & Simon	
(34U)	Cheers	B. Miller	Movie: "The Competition"					News	INN News	Magnum

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Andover
East Andover

By MARJORIE JODREY

On Dec. 19, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cole Jr. and children, April and Jason, entertained at a Christmas party at their home on Main Street. Those present were Neil and Gloria Conary, Rick Donovan, Joan Weinberg, Dianna Hutchins, Karin Dixon, Jason Miserocchi, Jen Gould, Shawn York, Ricky Mixer, Linda and Danny Newcomb and 16 members of the Senior Class of Telstar. Games were played; refreshments and dancing was enjoyed.

On Jan. 9 please remember Andover Fire Department is sponsoring a Rabies Clinic, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., at the fire station.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Thurston and sons, Danny, Jon and Kurt, entertained on Dec. 19 a family Christmas party. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Thurston and children, Rodney, Suzanne and Stacey of Arundal. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Milligan and Ralph Thurston and Jean Tosier, of Rumford, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Thurston and children, Amy, Jeff and Karen, Charlie Gagnon and Mary Thurston.

Mrs. Eva Bodwell and Allan will spend Christmas in Kittery with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Russel Hilton and children, Jocelyn and Jasen.

The opening Hymn at the First Congregational Church on Sunday, Dec. 20 was "Angels, From the Realms of Glory." Reverend Marriotte Churchill's sermon topic was "Believing In Jesus Christ." Special Music by the choir was enjoyed. The hymn of dedication was "Angels, We Have Heard On High."

The altar cloths, with matching stole, bookmark were given in loving memory of Louise and Roger Mills Sr. by their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Keith (Sally) Wilson.

Welcomed into membership were Mrs. Elton (Marion) Coolidge, by baptism, and member Mrs. Larry (Pat) Wyman, Mrs. Ernest (Linda) Dyer, Mrs. Sam Moore and Mr. Moore, also Mrs. Blanche Crooker Snyder.

On Thursday Jane Rich was to be at the church at 1 p.m. to receive the poinsettias and prepare the memorial list; at 7 p.m. the Christmas Eve service; deacon on call: Belinda Poor; greeter Dec. 20 Marion Coolidge; choir director, Ann Bishop; organist, Linda Dyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitten were to spend Christmas Eve as guests of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Stinson and daughter, Miranda, in Bethel. On Christmas morning the Whittens children and grandmother, Flora Whitten will all gather at Mr. and Mrs. Peter Coolidge's for their traditional Christmas breakfast followed by a family Christmas tree.

Andover Public Library wishes to announce income tax forms are here. Anyone needing these forms can pick them up during library hours, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday, 1:30 to 4:30.

They were fortunate that Sen. George J. Mitchell sent them a copy of the "The Report of the Congressional Committees Investigating the Iran-Contra Affair."

They also received this week a 28-minute video tape named "The M.L. Carr Challenge Stand Tall Against Drugs."

Matthew White and Larry White, of Phoenix, Ariz., arrived this week to spend the Christmas holiday week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald White.

Mr. David Hawkes and sons are spending the Christmas holidays in Florida with their relatives.

LCPL Jeffery Hall, from Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and his sister, Tammy Hall, of Boyd School of Travel and Tourism of Pittsburg, Pa., children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall, are spending the holidays with their parents.

Mrs. Jean Nusatowicy, of Rumford, was the second $25 winner in the Andover Telstar Senior Scholarship 20 week club.

Many from town enjoyed the good weather on Tuesday and Wednesday to do some last-minute shopping in Lewiston and Gorham, N.H.

Charles Cutting has returned home after being a patient at Stephens Memorial Hospital a few days.

School is out for Christmas vacation so many from town are headed to the ski slopes; with this beautiful weather it should prove very nice.

Have a happy holiday season and a very happy and healthy new year.

MRS. COOLIDGE'S 2nd Grade class at Ethel Bisbee School put on "The Night Before Christmas" and the students painted pictures to go with the story. *(Photo by Jeanne Boelsma)*

SENIOR CITIZEN MENUS

Monday, Jan. 4: Chicken nuggets, rice pilaf, carrots, broccoli or peas, biscuit, dessert apples.

Tuesday, Jan. 5: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green bean italiano or green salad, garlic bread, cookie.

Thursday, Jan. 7: Turkey a la king with peas on a biscuit, cranberry sauce, carrots or beets, pudding.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT

Franklin Grange met on Monday, Dec. 21, for a regular meeting and Christmas party, with 25 present. The new programs are printed for next year. Several members were reported as ill. Richard Felt hurt his back. A plaque was received for 100 years service. Program was as follows: song by all; Viva Whitman showed some exercises to do in the house; Christmas carols and songs were sung by all; gifts were passed out by Santa Claus and his elf. Closing thought by Olive Davis. Refreshments were served. Next meeting the third Monday in January.

The Awana and Sunday School Program and tree were held on Monday, Dec. 21, with a good attendance. Songs, Bible verses, recitations and a skit were presented by the children.

Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Jan. 7, for a potluck dinner at the Town Hall. Each one is to bring something for the meal and their own place setting. A game party will be held in the afternoon. Please bring a gift for this.

Woodstock extension met at the home of Margaret Hand on Monday, Dec. 21, for a Christmas party.

Hope you had a nice Christmas and Happy New Year.

Biathlon 10K race held at Gould Academy

Twenty biathletes from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts competed in the Pine Tree Biathlon Club Holiday Classic, held last Sunday at the recently completed biathlon range at Gould Academy.

Kevin Davis, of Bethel and Gould Academy, was the top local finisher, finishing seventh in the men's division and fifth in the junior division. Kevin also had the highest shooting score (six hits out of a total of 10).

Keith Woodward, of Craftsbury, Vt., was the overall winner, hitting his first eight of 10 targets (and thus only skiing two penalty loops) to finish in a time of 31 minutes and 2 seconds.

Paige Christie, of Rumford and Gould Academy, won the women's race, completing the icy course in 52 minutes and 36 seconds. In only his second biathlon, Doug Zinchuk, of Bethel, won the novice division, edging out Jon KomLosy, of Yarmouth, by 27 seconds.

The United States Biathlon Association donated a pair of racing ski poles to the winner, and the club awarded various other prizes. The Pine Tree Biathlon Club holds various events throughout the year at the Gould Academy biathlon range.

HOURS OF LOCAL DUMPS

ANDOVER: Sunday, 9-2; Tuesday, 2-4; Friday, 1-4; Saturday, 11-3.
BETHEL: Wednesday, 12-4; Saturday and Sunday, 10-4.
GILEAD: Saturday, 9-7; Tuesday, 9-7.
GREENWOOD/WOODSTOCK: Tuesday and Thursday, 1-5; Saturday, 8-4; Sunday, 12-8.
UPTON: Sunday, 12-2.
WEST PARIS: Wednesday, 7:30-4:30; Saturday, 7:30-4:30; Sunday, 8 to noon.

Locke Mills

By LORRAINE MILLS

The town offers its sincerest sympathy to the Lurvey family in their recent loss.

My apologies for the recent lack of a column. I no more get to feeling better from my operation than I get the flu bug making the rounds. Unfortunately I handed it on to Ralph, who came Wednesday from Vermont for the holidays. We did get up to see Marcia and Jon Smith Thursday before it hit him too badly, but by Christmas Day he didn't feel too well and I called Marcia and she could hardly talk. Guess that is winter for you.

Vera Cross was a Christmas dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dunham and Eileen Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Wardwell, Seabrook, N.H., were recent weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fuller. Mary Poland and Ralph Toussaint, of Biddeford, also visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fuller one weekend.

I am happy to report that the white cat was returned to his owner. She had moved, leaving her cat with her sister, and he got out and started looking for her. He was nice and polite while here, but his heart was elsewhere and I'm glad he got home for Christmas. While here he did graduate from the shed to the back badreoom and I was wondering what to do when Ralph came with his newly acquired Smokey. So all turned out well all the way around.

PUBLIC NOTICE
of Air Emission License Application

Please take notice that GILBERT MFG., CORP., Locke Mills, ME 04255, is filing for an Air Emission License with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the provisions of 38 M.R.S.A., Section 590. According to Department Regulations interested parties must be publicly notified, written comments invited, and, if justified, an opportunity for public hearing given.

The application is for Renewal of Air Emission License at Locke Mills, ME 04255.

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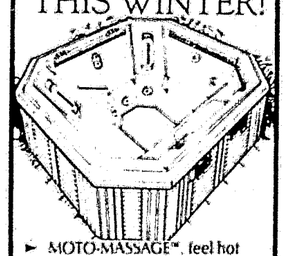
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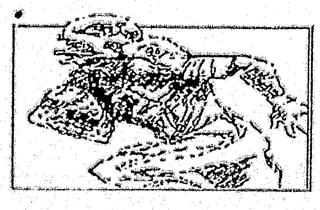
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THE BEST COLORERS in the Bethel Savings Bank's Santa Coloring Contest were CPS students Amanda Sysko, the daughter of Gail and Jim Sysko, of Newry, and Matthew Lewis, the son of Barbara and Richard Lewis, of West Bethel. The winners—above with their winning works—each received a huge stocking stuffed with gifts. Bank officials Jane Rolfe and Cecelia Hoy made the presentations.

Upton

By ARLINE BERNIER

Friday took us to Lewiston on business. The car headlights shone on the new snow covering all Backstreet, giving the appearance of a diamond path. The snow-covered trees from here through Grafton Notch were Christmas-card beautiful. The buffalo head stood out stark and clear as the long grayish clouds hung in the background. We watched the clouds turn pink as the sun rose to the horizon; the wind turned the Newry road into white moving frosty swirls. Maybe such trips as these are partly why folks put up with the inconvenience of living in Upton and having so far to get to anything.

Laurie Bergeron entertained a group of children overnight Friday and 26 relatives and friends Saturday for dinner and Christmas tree. The weather was superb and as we traveled down I thought what a beautiful day for a sleigh ride. The roadside trees cast shadows across the smooth, snow-covered road.

My advertisements for strawberry gift certificates so far brought only one amusing response asking if I were picking now—but may have started a trend.

Albert and Thelma Judkins, of West Peru, visited his sister on Christmas day and took his son Robert home for a brief holiday.

Sidney, Jeanne, Seth, Isaac and Steven Abbott, of East Sumner, visited at Heritage Farm during the week, exchanging gifts, including a box of doughnut seed.

The Edwards spent the holiday eve in Gray. Their daughter Christy and family and others in the family visited the 25th.

The soltice has passed and my annual depression, which was aggravated this year by events, has loosened. It is quite true that extended bright light is helpful and healthful for this condition. Maybe I can stabilize and give my column better attention as well as other things that have suffered neglect.

The Ray Berniers returned to Woburn for Christmas observance, and are back in Upton for an extended stay.

Roland and I spent Christmas eve at the North Waterford church for a pageant and candle-lighting service. The people portraying the scene in Bethlehem of many yers ago were country folk—working people who made that long ago event become real and wonderful.

A happy New Year to each of you.

YOUNG MUSICIANS FROM CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL and Andover Elementary School joined forces to perform at the Telstar Christmas Concert last Tuesday night.

Maine Lung Association offers help to those who want to give up smoking

Making a New Year's resolution to quit smoking? If you are, the American Lung Association of Maine offers the following tips:

Before anythig else, you have to find your own reason for wanting to quit. You should try to find specific things in your daily life that you expect to be better, more enjoyable, or less threatening as a consequence of your quitting smoking.

The rewards do not need to be big, dramatic, or have monetary value. But quitting brings with it a sense of satisfaction at having control of your life and of adopting a healthier lifestyle, having more energy, or knowing you are setting a non-smoking example for your children. Keep in mind that 75 percent of every 100 children who begin to smoke had a parent who smoked. Also, 95 percent of new smokers begin before age 18.

Once you identify reasons for wanting to quit, your next task is to decide you really want to quit. Don't rush this decision. Make sure you know it is something you really want to do and why. If you decide you really want to live life as a non-smoker, then you're ready to try to quit.

The transition from being a smoker to being a non-smoker is not always easy. Unlearning an old habit can be hard. It takes practice and patience to learn to be a non-smoker again, just as it takes practice and patience to learn to ride a bicycle. You may fall off a few times at first, but if you are persistent, you can learn.

The American Lung Association of Maine can help if you really want to quit. Making the transition from smoker to non-smoker can be made easier with new Freedom from Smoking self-help manuals from the American Lung Association of Maine. "We recognize that 95 percent of smokers will quit by themselves. These materials are directed to the smoker wanting to quit. They contain information which will help the smoker get ready to quit, break the habit and stay quit," says Peter King, of the American Lung Association of Maine.

To receive the Freedom from Smoking self-help manuals and a relaxation tape to help you deal with the pressures that often tempt people to smoke, send your name and address, along with $10 to cover the cost of the materials, to the American Lung Association of Maine, 128 Sewall St. Augusta, Maine 03220, or call 1-800-462-LUNG.

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Please take notice that ANDOVER WOOD PRODUCTS INC Andover Maine 04216 is filing for an Air Emission License with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the provisions of 38 M R S A Section 590 According to Department Regulations interested parties must be publicly notified written comments invited and, if justified, an opportunity for public hearing given

The application is for Permit Renewal of Wood Fired Boiler at Andover Maine

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Chamber and Adult Ed sponsor IRS workshop

The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and SAD #44 Adult and Community Education will jointly sponsor a small business workshop Friday, Jan. 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Moses Mason House.

The IRS is conducting the session, and the cost is $5.

Pre-registration is required by calling the Adult Ed office, at 824-2780.

The topics to be covered are: types of business organizations, record-keeping, business income tax returns, schedule C profit or loss from business/profession, estimated tax, and you and the IRS.

Bring a bag lunch if you like; coffee will be provided. All are welcome.

On Jan. 26 the IRS will hold a self-help tax workshop on Forms 1040 and 1040A at the Andover Elementary School, sponsored by Adult Ed. The time will be 6:30-8:30 p.m. and the cost will be $3 per person. Ten people must register for the course to be held. Call the Adult Ed office to register or for more details.

East Stoneham

By GLADYS KILGORE

Mrs. Kate Flynn is visiting relatives in New Jersey and Washington for a few weeks.

The Christmas carol singers were out Saturday night. It was very cold, but they all seemed to enjoy it especially the children. I enjoyed them also.

Miss Shirley Grant of Auburn is visiting her brother, Robert and wife, over Christmas.

Lawrence Dadmun, of Damariscotta, was a visitor in town over the weekend.

Mrs. Brenda Files and friends spent Christmas with the Steiner family in Harrison.

Grace Nelson's nephew took her to Denmark and Hiram one day last week.

Mrs. Helen Jewell, of No. Waterford, called on friends here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Plummer and son, also his mother, went to Berlin, N.H., for dinner Wednesday.

Donna McKeen, of Fryeburg, visited Brenda Files over the weekend.

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THE NEW JACK FROST SKI SHOP on the Sunday River access road opened its doors for business last week, just in time for Christmas week. The shop carries skis, boots and clothing, as well as providing rentals and repairs. Jack Frost will continue to operate its smaller shop on Barker Mountain in addition to the new store. Together with its shop at Mt. Abram, Jack Frost now has three shops in the Bethel area.

Greenwood City

By COLISTA MORGAN

After our recent storm I pursued my lonely way down the valley road. I turned again and again to gaze on the glorious pictures. It was a time of reflection, a relaxing time to reminisce about the year now ending while moving into the months ahead.

The snow had fallen deep and fast and I could hear the moan of the winter wind. Nature, now, is to sleep in preparation for the coming of spring.

White birches bent like drawn bows under their weight of snow. Icicles had formed in the wind, tilting the same way on the ledges, while the bushes above were like a field of cotton holding up boll-like masses of fluffy snow.

Across the pond long vistas of woodlands and pointed evergreens were dark against the hills.

The sky cleared and the sun came out to give its greeting.

The natural world is thrilling in the way it works. There was mental stimulation, a feeling of freedom, all around and available with no bother to anyone who wanted to walk and take a look.

Great seamed rock faces stood out in gray, their tops dusted with snow, and down their sides some were green with moss, a tiny bit of summer.

There was a positive quietness.

I squinted to avoid the glare, as my eyes were filled brimful of the brightness, but I was ever mindful of the sharpness of the wind.

I heard the rustle of a far blown leaf, bending over like a little toad, as it scrabbled across my path, then on to other sections, tracing the lacy tracks of mice.

I looked at the blue dome of the sky softening against the west. My show here was over and I returned home to view again the many tracks and trails of deer on my lawn. They had played in the night, maybe looking for apples under the apple tree. These dwellers of the forest have been hunted incessantly, yet they are still numerous. While they are shy, they are not afraid of the neighborhood of man. With white flag raised at every bound, their graceful fleetness, and rusty red summer coats, which seem to glow in the afternoon sun, have made them one of America's best-known and best-loved animals.

I wish I had been out there to see them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leonas Holt attended services in Norway for his aunt, Ada Cox, on Friday.

Fay and Ann Holt had dinner with friends in South Portland on Saturday.

Fred and Rita Curtis called on her brother and sister in Brunswick one day and their daughter, Colista, in Freeport another day this week. Rena and daughter, Evelyn, were in Portland to visit Evelyn's daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Curtis, Norway, called on his parents and on Dorothy Curtis this week. Other callers at Dorothy's were Tommy Bragg, West Sumner. Mildred Bowman, Hebron; Fred and Rena Curtis, Eva Felton, local; Alton Kimball, West Paris. Dale and Marcia Mills, Shapleigh. Dale and Marcia also called on Eva Felton, Fred Curtis, and on me.

Ernest Curtis, Poland, came to see me this week. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Coolidge and Ernest Mundt were also callers.

Zilpha DiArenzo and son left for Pennsylvania on Saturday. Zilpha plans to stay for the winter with her daughter and will have eye surgery. Her son will return after Christmas.

THE MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND entertained parents and friends at Telstar's Christmas Concert, last Tuesday night.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Farrar, of Johnson, Vt., are the proud parents of an adopted son, Joel Joseph, born Nov. 24. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Farrar are the grandparents.

Dec. 9, to Steven and Rebecca Roberts Kuvaja, a son, Kyle Steven, 7 pounds, 15 ounces.

In Lewiston, Dec. 21, to Stan and Gale Hill, of Turner, a son, Kade Thomas Hill. Grandparents are Robert and Beryl Hill, of Turner, and Sylvanus and Harriet Glover, of East Andover.

Bethel

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keniston, of Chapman Street, enjoyed the visit of 15 family members on Saturday and Sunday to celebrate Christmas.

Present were Glen and Martha Baugs, Deanne, Glen Mitch, and Jonathan from, Dresden, David and Jodi Keniston, Heather and Heath, from Norway, Peter and Stacey Keniston, from Turner, Becky and Lennie Shaw, Jon and Jen from Northwest Bethel, and Mrs. Elsie Davis. Rachel and Ted McKnight, Shelby and Josie called twice from Orangevale, Calif. Also on Saturday, Amy Davis and 14 members of her family paid a visit to the Keniston gathering.

Celia Gorman reports that 100 or more Bohemian Waxwings were spotted in Bethel Monday. Also, a Varied Thrush was spotted in Locke Mills.

So. Woodstock

By OLIVE R. DAVIS

Merry Christmas and a healthy, prosperous New Year to all my friends who read my items. Many have told me that they always look for them and I appreciate their thoughtfulness telling me they enjoy them. Thanks, friends.

We are having a white Christmas, which I knew we would have. You folks were worrying about it. You see you really didn't need to for Maine will not let you down when it comes to winter weather.

Thursday night Carl Brooks came up after me and I took supper with them. We had delicious oyster stew. Afterwards we attended West Paris Grange Christmas Meeting. They had a large crowd with the Chapel Valley Group invited.

Esther Davis went to Oxford where she joined with a family group at her daughter's home for their Christmas gathering Sunday afternoon. Mr and Mrs. Erland Twitchell also attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Andrews, Bridgton, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cushman Winthrop, Alta Waterhouse, West Paris, called on me this week. Esther Davis had dinner with me Friday.

I made calls on several neighbors and friends the past week. I visited Herman Cole, in No. Woodstock. I found him as usual cheerful and always glad to have callers. I was at Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Fleming, Joyce Hathaway and Kay Billings and Eva Twitchell's. I also made dooryard calls.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brooks, Esther Davis and Olive Davis attended the Historical Party at the new schoolhouse in Bryant Pond.

Monday night Franklin Grange held their Christmas Party.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
TOWN OF BETHEL

The Town of Bethel Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the following site plan applications on Wednesday, January 6, 1988 at 7:00 PM at Telstar High School Rte. 26, Bethel. The public hearing is being held pursuant to Section IV, Subsection E. 2. of the Town of Bethel *Site Plan Review Ordinance*

1. Cochran Site Plan Application for change of use from gift shop to video store located on Rte. 2.
2. Sunday River Estates Site Plan Application for ten 2-bedroom condominium units located off the Sunday River Road.

The application and site plans for these two proposals are available for public inspection at the Bethel Town Office, 10 Main St., from 8 AM 5 PM, Mon.-Fri. Tel. 207-824-2669.

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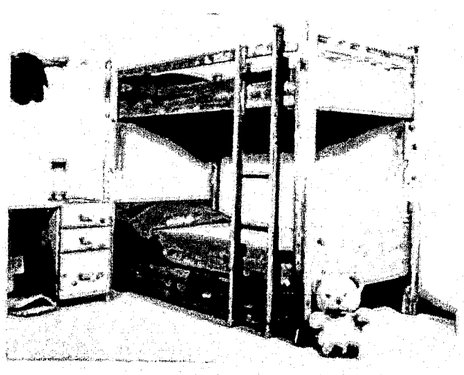
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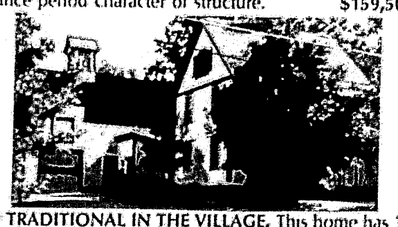
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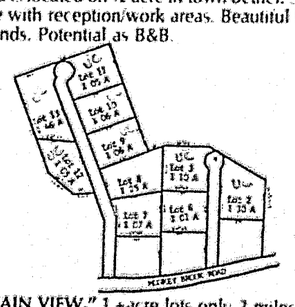
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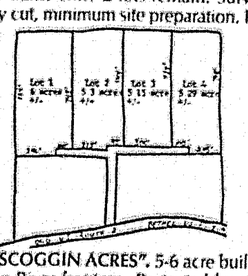
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A GOOD CROWD TURNED OUT for Telstar's Christmas Concert last Tuesday night, rescheduled from the week before when it was cancelled due to the snowstorm. Above, the chorus, composed of Solai Buchanan, Casey Swan, Dwayne Self, Shilo Hutchins, Susan Crandall, Harry Davis, Amy Hannon, Mishel Inman and Michelle Powell sang Christmas songs. They were assisted by two of Mr. Davis' children—Dusty and Tiffany.

THOUGHTS FROM THE

Pastor's Study

The Bethel Area Clergy Association, with the help of pastors of surrounding churches, brings you these meditations. Not based on any set theme, they will be individual for each pastor. It is hoped you will find in these words, comfort and help for your daily life.

Christmas, with its tinsel, lights, gifts and wrappings, has come and gone. Gone also are the carolers and the Santa Clauses.

Gone also, perhaps, is much of that spirit of love and joy that seems to be such a special part of each Christmas season.

Now comes the New Year, another one of our holidays that is celebrated with the enthusiasm of parties, with, in many cases, food, drink and song.

But with New Year comes a time for resolution, a time when many, with sincere determination, declare that they will give up or take on certain habits, that they feel will improve their character.

Resolutions are good, for they cause us to—at least in a small degree—evaluate ourselves, to call upon our conscience, to study the uprightness of our lives.

Even if we fail in our endeavor, at least we have admitted that some of our habits are dissatisfactory to us, and probably to others as well, and we have resolved to do something about it.

If we live up to our resolutions then it should be a gold star for us.

But when I think of resolutions, I recall one in particular, that was made many years ago by Joshua, and is one that we all might well include in ours this year.

In the Book of Joshua 24:15, Joshua says, "As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord."

This resolution was made by Joshua after he had revealed the warnings from God to the people of Israel.

God had reminded them of the many ways in which he had helped the Israel nation. He also reminded them of their unfaithfulness to Him, and warned them that by the same power He had helped them, He could also destroy them, if they did not return to Him and obey His law.

Joshua then challenged them to choose whom their god would be, naming the various gods that they and their fathers had worshipped, told them to choose among them.

He then made his own declaration to serve the Lord God of Israel.

We, today, do not often worship other gods in the actual facts, but all too often we set things before God.

God has commanded us that we should love Him, that we should put no other god before Him.

Let us not make money, pleasures, power or any earthly desire, keep us from God. In St. John 13:34, Christ says, "A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another."

St. John 3:16 tells us that if we believe in Christ we can have eternal life.

St. Matthew's gospel in chapter 25 speaks of the final judgment, in verses 40 and 45, Christ discloses that whatever we do or fail to do for one of our brethren is the same as doing or failing to do to Him.

If we truly believe in someone and accept him as our leader, we must believe in the things he believes.

If we truly love someone we must love the things that they love.

Can we answer Joshua's challenge as his followers did?

Will we make the same resolution he made?

Rodney H. Hanscom, Pastor
Newry Community Church

In Memoriam

In loving memory of our husband and father
David S. Foster
1910-1977

We had a wonderful husband and dad
To us he was the best
God proved to us he only takes the best
When one evening he called Dad to rest
We may not be able to talk, to hear
or give Dad a hug but we can hug
our memories of him forever
Always cherish loved ones with care
You'll never know the sorrow
until you see their empty chair

Missed terribly by wife and children.
Myra Foster
Clara Hamlin & family
June Stearns & family
John Foster & family
Josephine Tyler & family

CROSS COUNTRY QUILTERS

Cross Country Quilters enjoyed a Christmas party hostessed by Mabel Kennett at her home on Dec. 16. The evening party was attended by 10 members: Jean Blanchard, Barbara Yates, Carole Nielsen, Carole Crandall, Virginia Keniston, Virginia Hutchins, Sally Ramage, Mary Keniston and Betty Gilbert, including, also, the hostess.

Those present enjoyed a short viewing of a three-hour quilting video from the New England Quilters Guild.

Delicious punch, coffee and Christmas goodies were served by Mabel.

Pres. Virginia Keniston conducted a short business meeting and reminded members of the 10th anniversary meeting of the Pine Tree Quilter's Guild, Inc., being held on Saturday, Jan. 7, 1988, at Togus. She urged members to help our club for a good attendance. Try to complete name tag, and complete "President's" block and "Spools" block to take to the meeting. Call Virginia Keniston or Carol Crandall for car-pooling or more information.

The party concluded with members competing in a couple of quilt games, with Carole Crandall supervising. Most members won a prize.

Pictures were taken of Jean Blanchard's and Betty Gilbert's "Flying Geese" quilts as an album is being started for pictures of all quilts completed in the first workshop and for future ones.

Members decided to continue meetings with the new year and the first one at the Bethel Public Library on Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 7 p.m. Carole Crandall will lead the first special project. It will be to make a small wall hanging. This is for beginners to learn basic quilting techniques but all members are urged to join in. For the first meeting, members are asked to bring pencil, ruler, graph paper, template material (plastic or cardboard) or basic quilting supplies.

Since our Christmas party, our dear friend, Mabel Kennett, has been ill and in the Stephen's Memorial Hospital. We understand she did get home for Christmas with her family. Our prayers and best wishes are extended to her for a speedy recovery, as she has been scheduled for further tests. We hope these will be most positive and she and Alden will be able to get on with their winter vacation travel.

Submitted by Mary Keniston

CHURCH NEWS

Bethel United Methodist Church
Rev. Lisa Vonderheide
Tel. 824-2010
Administrative Board Chairman,
Richard Stevens

Sunday:
9 a.m. Church School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service. Nursery care provided.
UMW- first Thursday of each month, 1:30 p.m.
Anyone needing prayers of church members or knowing of someone in need please call Mrs. Wallace Saunders or Mrs. Ranald Stevens.

West Parish Congregational United Church of Christ
Church St., Bethel
Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass
Co-Pastors
Miss Mary Valentine, Minister of Music

Sunday:
Adult Class, 9 a.m.
Sunday School and Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Nursery care provided.
Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., Bell Choir.
Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Pilgrim Fellowship.
Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Choir Rehearsal.
Clothing Depot: Call 824-2853 or 824-2193 for assistance.

Bethel Gospel Center of Christian & Missionary Alliance
Rte. 26, Bethel
D.N. Larson, Pastor

Sunday:
Sunday School, 9 a.m. (3 year olds through adults).
Babysitting for all children under 5 years during Church.
Morning Worship, 10 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday:
Prayer and Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene
Church Street
John Clayton, Pastor
Tel. 824-3020

Sunday:
Sunday School (for all ages including adults), 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service, 6 p.m.
Wednesday:
Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.
For information or transportation to any service call 836-3936.

Unitarian-Universalist Church of Bryant Pond, Grove St.
Rev. Duke T. Gray, Pastor
Services every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Child care available.
Choir practice 8:15 a.m.

Christian Science Services
In all Christian Science Churches, the Lesson-Sermon read from the desk is the same. The public is cordially invited to attend.

First Church of Christ, Scientist
Corner of Main and Tenth Streets Berlin, N.H.
holds Sunday morning services at 11 a.m. and Sunday School at the same hour for pupils up to the age of 20 years. The Wednesday evening meeting is at 7:45, including testimonies of healing.

Christian Science Society, Norway
9 Stevens St., off Alpine St.
Sunday: Services and Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Wednesday: Evening meeting, 7:30 p.m. includes testimonies of healing.
Reading Room: Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church
Rte. 26, Bethel
Rev. Albert B. Colpitts
Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Anticipated Mass

St. Catherine of Sienna
29 Paris St., Norway
Rev. Albert B. Colpitts
Anticipated Mass, Saturday, 4:30 and 7 p.m.
Sunday Masses, 9 and 11 a.m.

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)
Meeting for silent worship, Key Bank (Community Room), Norway, Sunday 5 p.m.

Faith Chapel Assembly of God
Coldwater Brook Rd., Oxford
Pastor Glyn Davies, 743-2569
Sunday, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday at 7 p.m., Bible study

Newry Community Church
Newry, Maine
Rodney Hanscom, Pastor
Nancy Hanscom, Organist
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Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church
Perkins Valley Road, South Woodstock
Pastor Earl Meola
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Saturday
Sabbath School, 9:20 a.m.
Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Tuesday
Prayer Circle, 1 p.m. (please call in any prayer requests you may have)
Prayer Meeting, 6:45 p.m. (children's program provided)
Wednesday
Pathfinder Club Meeting, 6 p.m. (ages 10 and up)

West Bethel Union Church
Rev. Norman Rust, Minister
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Parish Day Wednesday
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Mrs. Rodney Kimball, Custodian
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Chapel Aid, second Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Locke Mills Union Church
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Mrs. Richard Melville
Organist and Choir Director
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., Worship.
10:30 a.m., Sunday School (October-May).
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m., TOPS.
Second Wednesdays, Trustees, 7:30 p.m.
Third Wednesdays, Ladies' Circle 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m., Choir practice at the home of Beverly Melville.

Pleasant Valley Bible Church
Flat Road, West Bethel
836-2828

Sunday:
Sunday School, 9 a.m. Ages 3 to adult.
Morning worship, 10 a.m. Babysitting for children through age 5.
Wednesday:
Choir practice, 6 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study, 7 p.m.
Those needing information or rides to church activities, please call Maureen at 824-2949.

Bryant Pond Baptist Church
Linwood Hanson, Pastor

Sunday:
9:15 a.m. Sunday School.
10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
6:00 p.m. Evening Service.
Wednesday: 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting.
Thursday Awana Clubs: K-Gr. 2, 2:30-4:00; Gr. 3-12, 6:00-8:00.

West Paris Baptist Church
Jonathan Haslett, Pastor
Tel. 674-2920

Sunday:
9:00 a.m. Worship service.
10:15 a.m. Sunday School (nursery care for preschoolers during worship).
First Wednesday of each month: Trustees/Deacons, 7:00 p.m.
Second and fourth Wednesday of each month: Bible study, 7:00 p.m.; Choir, 7:00 p.m.; Fellowship/refreshments, 8:00 p.m.
Third Sunday of each month: 5:30 p.m. supper and service at 6:30.

First Congregational Church United Church of Christ
Andover
Rev. E. Marriotte Churchill
Phone: Church 392-4678; Parsonage 392-3081
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Choir Director, Ann Bishop
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Margaret R. Madigan and Marjorie S. Bartlett
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School.
Sunday: 6:30 p.m. Youth Group.
Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible Study at C.E.B.
Ladies Aid—Every other Tuesday at noon, C.E.B.
Friday: Adult choir practice, 7 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church
Route 5, Andover, Maine
Donald Grover, Pastor
Mrs. Edna White, Pianist
Helen Grover, Choir Director
Marjorie Stinson
Sunday School Superintendent

Sunday:
Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.
Evening Service, 7 p.m.
Wednesday:
Prayer and Praise, 7:30 at the church.
Choir Rehearsal, 6:30.

Albany Congregational Church
Rev. Norman Rust, Minister
Phone: 583-4688
Regular services, Sunday, 11 a.m. (Starting June 7 through Sept. 27.)

Rumford Area Bible Speaks
Pastor Bob Colby
Route 232, Rumford Corner
369-9373

Sunday:
10 a.m. Sunday School.
10 a.m. Worship Service.
6 p.m. Evening Service.
Tuesday: 10 a.m. Women's Bible Study at Pastor Knight's home.
Wednesday: 6 p.m. Fellowship supper at the church, 7 p.m. Evening Service.
Friday: 7 p.m. Video Bible Institute classes at church.

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church
David W. Helms, Pastor
Family Worship, 10:00 a.m.
Church School, 10:00 a.m.

South Waterford United Methodist Church
David W. Helms, Pastor
Family Worship, 9:30 a.m.

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By MARTA CLEMENTS

We hope everyone is enjoying the Christmas season. This past week was filled with Christmas activities. The Kindergarten and 1st Grade had their own sing-a-long with Mr. Barker. Grade 1 wrapped gifts for parents and enjoyed their parties. Mrs. Debbie Dembski visited Grade 2 and made Italian cookies, pizzeli, right in class. These are a Christmas cookie and the fragrance of anise was noticed throughout the building. Also this week, the 2nd-graders enjoyed a personalized gingerbread man. These were made by the senior Mrs. Van Nest, used as tree decorations and then taken home by each child.

The 3rd-graders were extremely busy. They designed wrapping paper that consisted of paper folded into 16 squares and the chosen design was reproduced in each square. The wrapping paper was used for the gifts they had painted. One of their many highlights of the week was watching themselves on a video tape of their play, "Boo Bear and the Night Before Christmas." Many parents, friends and the student body enjoyed the original production.

The 4th-graders made tree ornaments—wooden sleds. These will be treasured over the years. For their Christmas party, Mr. Litchfield supervised the making of ice cream. This is always a treat.

All classes celebrated with treats and an exchange of gifts, as well as participating in the annual sing-a-long in the gym. All teachers presented their classes with a class picture/Christmas card. Spouses of teachers volunteered their efforts also. Mr. Nicholas Clements was the school photographer this year and Mr. Ken Loper cut out the wooden silhouettes for the 3rd-graders Christmas gifts. We appreciate their efforts.

We did manage to accomplish some regular work amidst all the festivities. The 6th Grade finished up the Space reports for science. The 5th-graders memorized the poem "Concord Hymn," wrapping up their study of the American Revolution. Grades 4, 5 and 6 are now preparing for the annual Science Fair. The date for the local fair is tentatively set for Tuesday, Jan. 26, and the date for the district fair is definitely set for Jan. 29.

Another upcoming January 1988 date to be watching for is our next school volunteer meeting. Heidi McGinley, the state volunteer coordinator, will be our guest speaker and we hope that interested people will be able to attend.

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Bethel Historical Society membership above 800

Dr. Stanley R. Howe, Director of the Bethel Historical Society, announced this week that the Society's membership exceeded 800 during 1987. While the overwhelming majority of Society members are from New England, 22 other states and the District of Columbia are also represented. These include Hawaii, Florida, Minnesota, California, New York, Arizona, Pennsylvania, Washington, Missouri, Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, Colorado, Michigan, Wyoming, Texas, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Ohio, New Mexico, Tennessee and Georgia. In addition, the Society has members in the Canadian provinces of Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia. One Canadian member will move to England in 1988.

"The Society," commented Dr. Howe, "has as a result of this growth solidified its position as one of the largest organizations of its type in the state." He attributed this interest in large part to the work of the membership committee, loyal members and the staff in encouraging those with Bethel area ties and/or an interest in history for this record growth. "Our programs, plus our publications, including the quarterly, *The Bethel Courier*, have attracted many to membership as well," he added.

There are currently eight membership categories adopted by the Society in 1986. Membership in the Society entitles one to several privileges including free admission to the museum, special discounts in the museum store, invitations to Society events and the quarterly.

In addition to increasing the numbers generally, the membership committee, chaired by Barbara D. Brown and consisting of Jeri Brooks, Merton Brown, E.M. Quinn, Margaret Cousins and Jean Owen, has set its sights on augmenting the number of states with members of the Bethel Historical Society. Two more states were added in 1987. Eventually it is hoped that there will be at least one Society member in all 50 states.

The Society operates the Dr. Moses Mason House on the Bethel common which includes a period house museum, research center and exhibit and meeting space. Its programs include monthly meetings, school projects, special events and publications. Anyone wishing further information should call 824-2908 or write P.O. Box 12, Bethel, Maine 04217.

Martha Katlin

MARTHA KATLIN PROMOTED

Martha Katlin has been promoted to head teller at the Bethel office of the Bethel Savings Bank, bank officials announced last week.

Mrs. Katlin is a graduate of Mexico High School and White Pines College, where she majored in Early Childhood Education and minored in Social Work.

After a brief move to California, she returned to this area and became a certified Nurse's Assistant, working in several local nursing homes.

Mrs. Katlin started her banking career in 1981 at the Bethel Savings Bank as a teller. She has taken AIB courses and has attended several seminars dealing with bank-related matters.

She resides in Bethel with her husband and two children.

OHHS OFFERS ANNUAL FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP

On Thursday, Jan. 14, the Oxford Hills Guidance Department will offer its annual Financial Aid Workshop for parents.

The workshop will be held in the OHHS library, starting at 7 p.m.

The workshop is planned as a working session and parents are encouraged to bring their financial aid forms to the meetings.

The main speaker for this program will be David Ronan, director of financial aid at Thomas College.

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CARL A. CASH

Carl A. Cash, 67, died Thursday, Dec. 24, 1987 at the Ledgeview Nursing Home.

He had made his residence in South Woodstock and had lived in the area most of his life.

He was born in West Paris, Oct. 20, 1920, the son of Charles and Edith Silver Cash. He attended local schools and was a veteran of the Army, serving in World War II as a sergeant in the Medical Corps.

He had been an automobile mechanic for many years and worked for several area garages until he retired in 1975.

He was a member of the Jackson Silver Post, American Legion, Locke Mills. He was formerly married to Barbara Tuell on Oct. 12, 1946 at South Paris.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Edith Herrick, of South Woodstock; one daughter, Mrs. Alicia (Floyd) Stevens, of Bryant Pond; one son, Charles Cash, of South Woodstock; and four grandchildren.

Those who desire may contribute to the Tri-Town Ambulance & Rescue Unit, West Paris, Me. 04289, in memory of Mr. Carl A. Cash.

ISABEL M. CROTEAU

Isabel M. Croteau, 88, died early Saturday morning, Dec. 26, 1987, at the Bradbury Nursing Home, in Belfast, where she was a resident.

She was born in Andover, Nov. 29, 1899, the daughter of Charles W. and Flora Noyes Abbott. She attended local schools. She was married to Antonio L. Croteau, and together they made their home in Hanover for many years. Mrs. Croteau was a former member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of World War I-Bethel Chapter.

Survivors include a son, John R. Forbes, of Belfast; and a sister, Mrs. Ethelyn Shields, of Waterville.

At Mrs. Croteau's request, there are no funeral services. However committal services will be held later in the spring at the Newman Cemetery, Carthage.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

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Notes from the Woodstock Historical Society

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Paris Beckman

The next Society meeting will feature Herb Lyon speaking on the American Legion. It will be held at the Woodstock School.

Our introductory quote this week is sort of a thank-you to The Citizen for its kindness in printing our columns this past year.

Eva Mills has donated a book on old doll houses. It says the one Fanny Hayes had in the White House (she later lived in Bryant Pond) was "large and handsome, a fine, fancy Victorian mansion with a turret and four chimneys." It is on display at the Rutherford B. Hayes Library, in Fremont, Ohio—at least it was when the book was written.

Rotary Club notes

The Bethel Rotary Club elected new officers for the coming year. They are: Dewaine Craig, president; Bruce Powell, president-elect; Scott Dennis, vice-president; Dave Denison, secretary; Bernie Wideman, treasurer; John MacMunn, sergeant-at-arms. The club also elected directors for the Four Avenues of Service (the various ways in which Rotary helps society). They are: Bob Saunders, Ted Chadbourne, Bill Clough and David Murphy. Past-president Rick Whitney also will be a member of the board.

Steve Wight, who is in charge (together with Jeff Parsons) of the club's new raffle project—an all-expense-paid trip to Disney World—began distributing raffle tickets to the membership. The raffle tickets will sell for $1 each, or 6 for $5. Money raised through the raffle will be used to send Bethel area youngsters to Mojas, Spain this summer as the second part of the Spanish Youth Exchange program, begun by Rotary last summer.

In the club's breakfast raffle, Rollie Glines was the winner. He donated his winnings to the Spanish Youth Exchange project.

BELTING OUT "JINGLE BELLS" during the first Christmas Concert at the new Woodstock School, First-graders Staci Littlehale, Jessica Timm and Jenny Evans blend their voices in a lovely seasonal songfest.
Photo by Michael Danais

STEPHENS OFFERS PROGRAMS

The Health Education Department at Stephens Memorial Hospital will be offering the following programs in upcoming weeks:

Aerobic exercise, babysitting course, blood pressure screenings, cancer education workshop, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), diabetes education.

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Thursday, Dec. 31: New Year's Eve dance, at the Rumford Jr./Sr. High School, sponsored by the Mollyockett Mixers, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

New Year's Eve Old Time Dance, at Locke Mills Town Hall, sponsored by Greenwood Historical Society, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 5: Oxford Pomona Grange #2 meeting, at Norway Grange, 7:30 p.m., preceeded by a 6:30 supper.

Friday, Jan. 8: "Let's Go Skiing, America!" Day, at Sunday River Ski Resort, Mt. Abram Ski Slopes, and Sunday River Cross Country Ski Center

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Andover Library Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1:30-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841. Story hour each Tuesday afternoon, from 3 to 4 (pre-school to Grade 2).

Bethel Library Hours: Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-5 p.m., 6-8 p.m.; Thursday, 10-11 a.m. Pre-school story hour, 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Betsy Raymond, Librarian.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday and Friday, 1-5 p.m.

REACH — Sexual Abuse Helpline. 743-9777. Serving victims of sexual abuse—past or present. 24 hour service in Oxford County.

AA Meetings at Bethel Fire Station: Sunday-6-7:30 p.m., Big Book: Tuesday - 7-8:30 p.m., Women's Discussion; Friday-8-9 p.m., Step 12 x 12.

Items for the Community Calendar may be brought to the Citizen office or mailed or phoned in, 824-2444. Items may also be given to Homer Keith, of Ida Beam in Bethel. Mrs. Keith is the volunteer coordinator for the Community Calendar.

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Newry's new plow truck damaged by loose wing

Newry's new plow truck was damaged recently when a weld on the wing mechanism broke, allowing the wing to swing up. The right door and fender were damaged.

Road Commissioner Marshall Fleet told the selectmen Tuesday it would cost over $1,000 to repair the damage, including a new door. He said he would go to the dealer in Skowhegan who installed the plow and see what kind of settlement he could make in regards to a warranty on the work.

The plow and wing, after some immediate repairs, are still usable, Mr. Fleet told the selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen, less Lee Swan, who is still hospitalized in Portland, received a letter of resignation from Nancy Noppa of the Planning Board. The selectmen accepted her resignation and sent her a letter thanking her for her service to the town. The selectmen appointed Planning Board alternate member Bill Cramton to take her place.

The board received a letter from Bethel Cablevision calling attention to the fact that the company's property in Newry had not been taxed. The selectmen acted quickly and made out a supplemental tax form for $140.

Town Clerk June Swan reminds dog owners in the town that new licenses are due Jan. 1. The licenses are available at the town office during normal hours: Tuesday, noon-8 p.m., and Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Hunting and fishing licenses are also available.

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